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JOHN BOEBINGER

John W. Boebinger, 79, of New Orleans, died Saturday, Dec. 19, 1998.

Mr. Boebinger, a lifelong resident of New Orleans, was a longtime leader of the Sugar Bowl Regatta and past president of the Sugar Bowl Committee and was a coordinator and older-worker specialist for the Louisiana Department of Labor before retiring in 1979.

He attended Isidore Newman and Alcee Fortier high schools and Tulane University. He was a member of the Sugar Bowl Committee for 50 years and was its president in 1972-73. He was a member of the Executive Committee for 35 years and was chairman of the Regatta Committee for 20 years.

He was a former commodore of the New Orleans Yacht Club, chairman of its Race Committee and a member of the Southern Yacht Club.

Survivors include two daughters, Cynthia Lowe-Villars of Diamondhead and Katherine "Kitty" Stult of Metairie; a sister, Althea Jacobs of Metairie; and two grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at Lakelawn Metairie Funeral Home, followed by services. Burial was in Metairie Cemetery.

CARL CLARK SR.

Carl L. Clark Sr., 66, of Ocean Springs, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1998, in Pascagoula.

Mr. Clark had been a resident of the Gulf Coast since 1956 and was the owner of Carl Clark and Sons Painting Contracting where he recently retired. He was employed with the Ocean Springs School District and served two years in the Army. He was a member of St. Alphonsus Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward Clark and Carrie McDonald.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Louise Clark of Ocean Springs; four daughters, Mary Catherine Langlinais and Amanda Rose Clark, both of Ocean Springs, Gerry Lynn Leggett of Diamondhead, and Theresa Anne Clark Naron of Suffolk, Va.; two sons, Carl Lester Clark Jr. and Gordon Gerard Clark, both of Vancleave;

In Memoriam



In Loving Memory
of
BRIANNA MICHELLE DAW
May 10, 1994-May 12, 1994

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two brothers, Robert Clark of Grand Bay, Ala., and William Clark of Irvington, Ala., and 11 grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday evening in the Ocean Springs Chapel of Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Homes. A procession will leave the funeral home at 9:50 a.m. today for a 10 a.m. service at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church in Ocean Springs. Burial will be in Crestlawn Memorial Park in Ocean Springs.

ELWIN E. CREWS

Elwin E. Crews, 56, of Pearlinton, died Saturday, Dec. 19, 1998, in Raymond, Miss.

Mr. Crews was retired from Martin-Marietta after 10 years as a material analyst. He was a native of Blackshear, Ga., and was a musician.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lonnie and Izette Richardson Crews; and a brother, Benny Crews.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Lucite Crews of Pearlinton, a stepson, Ronnie Rome of Picayune, a daughter, Tynia Crews Russell of Raymond, Miss., a stepdaughter, Rhonda Darby of Pearlinton; two sons, Burma Lee of Thibodaux, La., and Dot Tucker of Picayune; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, followed by services in the funeral home chapel. Burial was private.

LOIS M. DERUSSY

Lois M. Derussy, 70, of Diamondhead, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1998, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Derussy was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Diamondhead for the past five years. She was a homemaker and was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Peter Louis and Ethel Wingerter McGoe Jr.

Survivors include her husband, Otis H. Derussy of Diamondhead; a son, Mark S. Derussy of Diamondhead; a brother, Peter L. McGoe Jr. of Long Beach; three sisters, Mrs. Rosalba Lowe of New Orleans, Mrs. Audrey Carline of Terrytown, La., and Mrs. Agatha Hall of Pinole, Calif.; and two granddaughters, Christie L. Derussy and Bernadette M. Derussy, both of Diamondhead.

Visitation was Monday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

In Memoriam



In Loving Memory
of
MYRTHEE NORTH
Born Dec. 24, 1961
Died Dec. 24, 1998

God's golden gates stood open fifteen years ago today.

With farewells left unspoken you quickly skipped away.

Your cheerful smile and helpful ways we miss so much these lonely days.

Although we sometimes question the wisdom of His love, but God calls His Angels to be with Him above.

No heartaches can compare with the death of a child, but one day, Myrthee, we will be by your side.

Sadly missed
 by Mother, Daddy, Sisters
 Brothers-in-law and Aunt

Mass was celebrated Tuesday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis, followed by graveside services at Greenwood Cemetery in New Orleans.

ROSE P. DICHARRY

Rose Profumo Dicharry, 81, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1998, in Harvey.

Mrs. Dicharry was a native of New Orleans and had been a resident of Waveland for the past 29 years.

She was the wife of the late Herbert F. Dicharry Sr.; daughter of the late Antonino Profumo and Rosa Delerno Profumo; mother of Herbert F. Dicharry Jr. and Linda Matrana; sister of Victoria Coniglio and the late Joseph Profumo, Marie Ziegler, Rita Profumo and Conchetta Knatzer. Survivors include seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at Westside Funeral Home in Marrero, followed by celebration of a Funeral Mass in the funeral home chapel. Burial followed in Metairie Cemetery.

ESTHER HARR

Esther Ruth Harr, 78, of Diamondhead, died Friday, Dec. 18, 1998, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Harr was a resident of Diamondhead.

Survivors include a daughter, Stacey Harr of Gautier; two brothers, Leonard Kayle of New York, N.Y. and Milton Kayle of New Rochelle, N.Y.

A private graveside service was conducted Tuesday in Baton Rouge. Burial was in Liberal Synagogue Cemetery in Baton Rouge.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of local arrangements.

FONNIE HENDRIX JR.

Fonnie Carl Hendrix Jr., 76, of Diamondhead, died Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

In Memoriam



In Loving Memory
of
JOBY NECEISE
May 18, 1973-Feb. 1, 1990

We're warm with our memories on this Christmas night, when those we love must some day pass beyond our present sight.

They must leave us and the world we know, without their radiant light.

Joby is our light in the darkness, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as the sun and moon together.

Your love and memory in us reveal the inner presence that we feel. Whom angels greet with songs so sweet, we pray together someday we'll meet.

The angels have gathered and brought you there. Now the winter wind whispers your song in the air.

With your memory we must rejoice. In our hearts and soul we hear your voice.

Joby is not forgotten, nor will he ever be. As long as life and memory last, we will remember thee.

In the realm of heaven, when stars shine so warm and bright, Joby lives forever more in God's eternal light.

Christmas '98

ELSIE C. KENNY

Elsie Carver Kenny, 77, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1998, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Kenny was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis. She was the head bookkeeper for Hancock County for 20 years and also served as bookkeeper for the Hancock County school system.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William P. Kenny; her parents, Andrew A. and Emma Johnston Carver; two brothers, Warren J. Carver and Howard A. Carver; and a sister, Evelyn Carver Monti.

Survivors include two sons, David J. Kenny and Michael W. Kenny, both of Bay St. Louis; a sister, Carol J. Carver Trapani of Bay St. Louis; and four grandchildren.

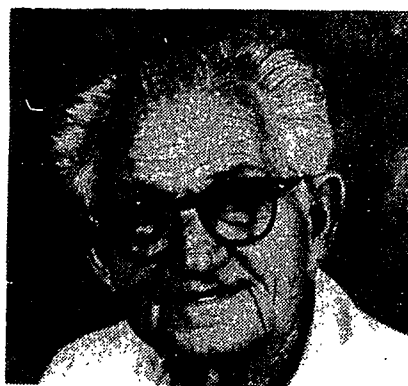
Visitation was Wednesday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel.

Burial was in St. Mary Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

The family prefers donations to Father Flanagan's Boys Town in New Orleans, 700 Frenchman Street, New Orleans, LA 70116.

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In Memoriam



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of
CARL J. THOMAS SR.
July 30, 1912-Nov. 13, 1993

Remembered with love.
 Your Family

In Memoriam



In Loving Memory
of
ROLAND TAILAC

The beautiful things you did for us live in our thoughts each day, and keep you near and dear to us though you have passed away.

A happy home we once enjoyed, how sweet the memory still; but death has left a loneliness the world can never fill.

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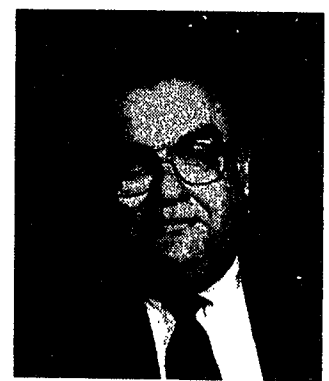
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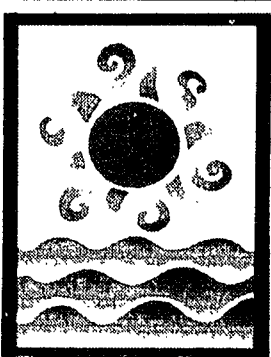
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Celebrates one hundred years

Mrs. Grace Ortte, center, holds a Hancock County *Citizen of the Month* award presented Saturday, on the eve of her 100th birthday, by Hancock County Board of Supervisors President Phillip Moran at her Bay St. Louis residence. Among family members there for the award acceptance were, from left, Russell J. Elliott, son-in-law; Paul Tessier, nephew; Marion Elliott, daughter; Ree Elliott, grandson. Laura Elliott, granddaughter-in-law; Mrs. Grace Ortte; Amy Lynn Lester, great-granddaughter; Beryl Gernsbacker, niece; Adrian Genet, grandniece; Phillip Moran; and Shirley Steckmaster, niece. A host of family members joined Mrs. Ortte on Sunday to celebrate with a large family party. Mrs. Ortte, a New Orleans native, has been a resident of Hancock County for over 80 years and was involved in her late husband's movie theaters in Bay St. Louis and along the Coast. Mrs. Ortte has one daughter, three grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, two step-great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Bay offers to lend officer to fill zoning vacancy

BY ED LEPOMA

Bay St. Louis has offered to lend Hancock County a zoning enforcement officer if a vacancy can't soon be filled.

Willie Gavney, the county's building inspector and chief zoning official, reported to supervisors Monday that Terry Richter, his assistant, has submitted his resignation effective immediately.

The news was a jolt since Gavney had already requested and received leave beginning Jan. 19 for surgery. With Gavney out, the everyday affairs of the office would be left to secretary, Tammy Campbell who was hired in November and still serving a probationary period before becoming fulltime.

Gavney said she was making progress, and he felt she was handling the secretarial duties very well.

After advertising for an assistant, Richter was hired in June, and paid a salary of \$8 an hour to work as a parttime employee "up to 30 hours a week."

His main duties were to go out to property sites where there might be zoning violations, or requests for variances, but Gavney said most of the time, Richter has not been working the full 30 hours. Some weeks, he only put in 16 hours, Gavney said.

He said this was because Richter's work was primarily outside, and the recent inclement weather cut down on his work hours.

Gavney said Richter is a family man with a house payment and other obligations, and said he needed to look for a fulltime job. He said he asked Richter to stay on, at least through his hospitalization and recovery, but he submitted his resignation last Friday.

Supervisors voted to advertise for the vacancy, and also instructed County Administrator Tim Kellar and Gavney to go through resumes already on file.

In the meantime, Gavney said Kellar talked with Bill Car-

riage, Bay St. Louis' chief building inspector, who told him the city has loaned inspectors to Waveland and Pass Christian in the past. Supervisors would have to ask Mayor Eddie Favre to loan the county an inspector on an hourly basis in the event an assistant is not found by Jan. 19.

The Planning Commission's workload has more than doubled since the passage last year of the county's first-ever Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, but the commission staff has been in turmoil.

Gavney took administrative leave last September in order to defend charges lodged against him in Circuit Court. In his absence, supervisors hired Neil Smith to fill in for Gavney, and he served until Gavney's return in mid-February. Smith came to the job with a law degree, and in Klamath Falls, Oregon, he served as zoning hearing officer handling appeals from citizens and disputes over zoning.

Four days after Gavney's return, Smith resigned, saying he didn't feel he and Gavney could work together.

County considers ROW markers

BY ED LEPOMA

Hancock County supervisors might soon embark on a program to install markers establishing the county's rights-of-way along eight miles of beachfront.

It was months ago that District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner complained that beachfront property owners had installed wooden posts on county-owned property in front of their residences in efforts to keep beach visitors from parking in front of their property on the north side of Beach Boulevard.

Ladner asked property owners to remove the spikes and threatened the county would remove them if they didn't. Later, supervisors voted to hire surveyor James Chiniche to survey the beach, check property records and establish the county rights-of-way along eight miles of the beach.

Chiniche sent that survey to supervisors on Monday and suggested that the county consider installing concrete markers every 50 feet along the eight-mile span to establish county rights-of-way for once and for all.

Supervisors seemed to like the idea, but Ladner and others on the board wanted to get a cost estimate from Chiniche.

Money to pay Chiniche and to install the markers would come from available Seawall funds.

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ACOA and Al-Anon

ACOA and Al-Anon meet at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 5303 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead Thursday evenings at 8. For information call 255-9213.

Hancock County Humane Society

The Hancock County Humane Society operates a flea market in

Bay St. Louis at the intersection of Hwy. 90 and Drinkwater. Proceeds help needy animal owners with spay-neuter assistance, emergency pet food and emergency medical help.



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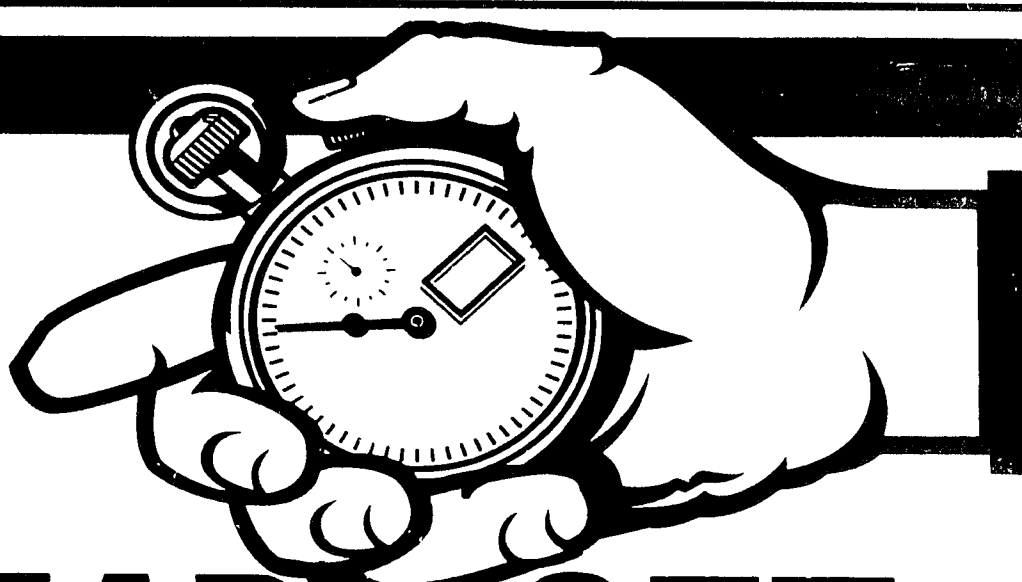
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"CUEVAS" QUOTES

By Ellis C. Cuevas

There were big celebrations this past weekend at the Carroll Avenue residence of Mrs. Grace Ortte.

On Sunday Mrs. Ortte celebrated her 100th birthday, which is really reaching a milestone.

A resident of Hancock County for over 80 years, the native of New Orleans still handles her own business affairs.

Like many of the residents of the area, I can recall attending her and her husband's movie theatres in Bay St. Louis, the Star and the Highway Drive Inn.

That was a time when television was not around and movie theatres were very popular. As youngsters, those Saturday night double headers were a favorite.

Anyway, Mrs. Ortte still enjoys life and was a bit shy about all the publicity. On Saturday she was even serenaded by a church choir.

Family members from several states, as well as neighbors and friends, helped her celebrate her birthday.

Board of Supervisors President Phillip Moran presented the first of a new award from the county, *Citizen of the Month*, to Mrs. Ortte.

Congratulations to Mrs. Ortte on her 100th birthday. May you have many more.

We are in winter, but you sure could not prove that by the temperatures we had over the weekend.

Temperatures really dropped on Tuesday, and it began to feel like winter.

The warm temperatures a few days before brought in some fog, which makes driving a bit dangerous.

On a drive to Pass Christian on Monday morning, even with it being very foggy, only about half of the motorists had their headlights on.

Many vehicles are white in color like mine, and the color in fog really makes them hard to see.

Motorists should use extreme caution when driving during foggy conditions. Law enforcement agencies recommend that vehicle lights be turned on.

If you are driving during foggy conditions, please flip the light switches on and help other motorist see you.

It is good to see the turn signal operational in the west lane of Highway 90 at Dunbar Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

This really helps motorists at this very busy intersection.

There is still a serious problem at the intersection of Highway 90 and McLaurin in Waveland. Just last Saturday morning there were two more accidents at this intersection.

I will still say it is almost impossible to make a left turn on McLaurin when traveling west on Highway 90, if someone is in the east lane trying to make a left turn.

The motorist in the west lane cannot fully see oncoming traffic.

I still keep getting asked the question of when traffic signals will be placed at the intersection of Highway 90 and Drinkwater by Hancock Medical Center.

This intersection is becoming more and more dangerous as traffic increases in our area.

Maybe with the new year, the Department of Transportation will take some new traffic surveys.



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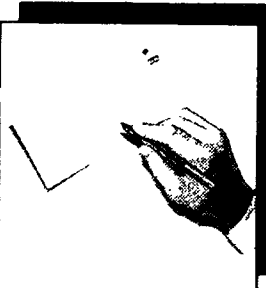
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Hope Haven helpers

The Annunciation Catholic Church, Kiln, Men's Club recently sponsored a golf tournament at Diamondhead with proceeds going to charity. An earlier check was presented to the Hancock County Food Pantry. Club members, from right, Bert Schnadelbach, Whitney Meyers and Butch Tolivar, left, present a \$500 check to Terry Latham, Hope Haven director. The trio indicated the golf tournament will be an annual affair by Annunciation Men's Club for Hope Haven and the Food Pantry. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bay resident says Congressman Taylor should become Republican

Dear Editor,

I was an early and substantial supporter of Congressman Gene Taylor. However, I am disappointed and angered by his attempted vehement political assassination of President Clinton, who two-thirds of this country believe is doing a good job as president.

There is no question but that Clinton's actions were wrong and reprehensible. But, that they do not justify removal from office is the view of most people in Congressman Taylor's district, in addition to hundreds of

outstanding historians and political scientists. Their concern is that the extreme partisanship may destroy our very democratic system of government.

Congressman Taylor has never understood our two-party system, and his rejection of that system has greatly limited his effectiveness. Perhaps it is time for Congressman Taylor to show his true colors and become a Republican.

Sincerely,
Robert W. Breeden, Jr.
Bay St. Louis

Waveland resident supports Taylor's Buffer Zone proposal

To the Editor:

I want to cast my vote and support the view of Congressman Gene Taylor regarding the buffer zone use question as cited by Kathryn Knox of Picayune in the Dec. 17 edition.

Without doubt in my mind, if the large area in question is opened as a depository for anybody's garbage, God only knows who all might get on the band wagon and again dump on Mississippi.

The wildlife area will surely do more for the future of this county and state. Education is the answer, not garbage.

I resent the inference and the idea and stand up now to say so. Hopefully, more of your readers will do the same.

I still believe that our regulators and government officials,

such as those cited by Ms. Knox are ultimately answerable to you and me, the public.

Our Constitution guarantees that right, and unless you and I fess up and speak up, I doubt that anyone will know how we feel, and having forsaken our right to speak, the SSC will do as it sees best.

As a native Mississippian, I personally feel that Mississippi has wound up at the "bottom of the list" far too long. That, of course, includes the list of states with low education levels.

We deserve better and need to prove ourselves. We can, and this is a good place to start. I do vote, and you must also if we are to be heard.

Earl MacLeod
Waveland

Traffic problem on Lower Bay Road has resident wanting problem solved

Dear Editor:

When is something going to be done about the traffic problem on Lower Bay Road in Hancock County? The problem has been created by Port and Harbor of Hancock County. This is a case where Frankenstein should take care of his own monster.

While the economy in the area has been helped by the increased employment, or increased population, this also increases the burden on our local roads, schools, etc., available to permanent, tax-paying residents.

P&H managers have managed to dip into federal pockets for grants to the tune of hundreds of thousands to improve

Stennis Airport and add a second Fixed Base Operation, which wasn't really needed. Why not direct those energies to clean up the mess they have created on Lower Bay Road?

During shift change hours, especially in the evening, residents are unable to get into or out of their own drive ways. This two-lane road was not intended to handle this amount of commercial traffic. Obviously our county supervisors don't have to deal with this problem or live on this road.

Sincerely,
Dory Thian
Lower Bay Road
Bay St. Louis

Taylor announces contract for Halter Marine

U.S. Rep Gene Taylor announced this week that the U.S. Navy has awarded a \$53,618,360 contract to Halter Marine Inc. of Gulfport for the Fiscal Year 1999 construction of T-AGS 65, an oceanographic survey ship.

The firm fixed price contract for over \$5.6 million is for a previously awarded contract to Halter.

"I'm very pleased that the Navy has firmed up this contract with Halter," said Taylor. "Halter Marine employees have a great reputation for not only being successful with government contracts, but Halter has also been very successful in the important commercial area of shipbuilding."

The work on T-AGS 65 will be performed at Halter Marine's shipyard in Moss Point, according to Taylor. The work is expected to be completed in November 2001, and contract funds will not expire at the end of the current fiscal year.

The Navy's contract option provides for the construction of the oceanographic survey ship and associated supplies and services. The associated work includes onboard repair parts, spares, special tool support and testing of equipment, technical manual, data and AutoCAD release 11 drawings.

The Naval Sea Systems Command in Arlington, Va. is the contracting authority.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Gifts of Christmas

I just spent part of a quiet, rainy Saturday afternoon fulfilling a personal Christmas tradition I read once again the story of the first Christmas as it is recorded in Luke, chapter 2 and Matthew, chapter 2.

On this particular occasion, I was especially impressed with the story of the wise men. To show their love for our Savior, the babe born in Bethlehem, the wise men brought him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

It is probably from the wise men that our modern-day custom of giving gifts comes. It helps us remember and celebrate the birth of the man from Bethlehem.

After reading and pondering the scriptures today, I asked myself, "What gifts did Christ give to us?"

We live in a world created by him under the direction of the Heavenly Father. All of the beauty of our natural surroundings is a special gift to us from our Creator.

Our precious scriptures have come down to us as a gift from him. They contain a record of the Savior's life. He provides the example and pattern for us to follow. By living his teachings and keeping our Heavenly Father's commandments, we can live happy, useful lives.

His most priceless gift to us was, of course, his life. By this great and everlasting sacrifice, he did something for us that we could not do for ourselves. He made available to us eternal life. (John 3:16)

As I pondered the story of the first Christmas today, I also asked myself, "What gifts can we give to the Savior? How can we say 'thank you'?"

As a gift to Jesus the Christ, we can take care of the world that he created for us. We can keep our surroundings clean, neat and orderly.

We can begin very early in

life, even as children, to follow his example and live by his teachings. What gift could be more pleasing to him?

We can offer our Savior a really grand gift by removing contention and anger from our thoughts and lives. We can instead love one another and be kind to those around us, especially to our own families.

It seems to me that we could offer Christ an extraordinary gift by being thoughtful and considerate toward those who are different from us in any significant manner.

We can obey the teachings and commandments recorded in the scriptures. We can live our lives doing good as our Savior did himself. What a great gift it would be to become more Christ-like.

Our gifts can never be as great as those he gave to us, but we can offer a very special gift to our Savior by trying to follow his example, by helping others and by sharing our talents, skills and early goods at every opportunity.

After all, the scriptures suggest that when we serve "the least of these," we serve him as well. (Matt. 25:45) Could there be any greater gift than serving others as he so beautifully and selflessly served us?

We should also remember, however, that we sometimes give and serve best by being willing to receive, as we should all receive the Savior and make him a part of our daily lives.

In my heart, I feel sure that the more humble the gifts we offer, the more our Redeemer will love them, the more he will love us.

I would like to close this little essay by wishing to all around me a happy, peaceful, Christ-filled Christmas.

Sue A. Osbourn
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FROM THE GOVERNOR

By Governor
Kirk Fordice



Long-term care is a critical concern, but HB 1191 is not the solution

Much has been written about long-term care needs in Mississippi and my veto of House Bill 1191.

I understand the veto of this bill will be one of the first issues of debate in the House of Representatives in the 1999 session.

The provision of long-term care services is a critical issue that should be discussed, dissected and addressed, but in terms much broader than the addition of nursing home beds — the sole premise of HB 1191.

The projected increase in the elder population, combined with the high cost of residential care, demands a prudent allocation of limited resources. The cost of long-term residential care in Mississippi is borne primarily by the taxpayer.

Medicaid covers almost 85 percent of all nursing home residents in the state. Mississippi's total Medicaid budget grew from \$597 million in FY 1990 to \$1.8 billion in FY 1998, a 202 percent increase.

If we do not take prudent steps now, we may not have funds in future years to sustain quality care for nursing home residents who truly need residential care and have no other means to pay for such care.

Although the cost of the State's Home and Community Based Waiver program is less than half the cost of nursing home care — approximately \$12,000 per recipient per year versus an average nursing home cost of \$29,000 — Mississippi's Medicaid program is disproportionately reliant on institutional care.

The state's case mix data, information used to determine reimbursement to nursing facilities based on the level of care required for each resident, indicates that 19.1 percent of the total number of licensed beds in

Mississippi is occupied by individuals who could be served outside the facility if appropriate services were available.

In 1997 the legislature authorized statewide implementation of the Home and Community Based program, but the number of participants is determined by the amount of allocated resources.

Case mix data puts a new perspective on nursing home need. Before we authorize hundreds of new beds costing millions of dollars, we should more accurately evaluate our citizens' needs and preferences.

Research shows that the majority of people would prefer to remain at home, if given the choice. We must target resources to provide the appropriate level of quality care for the greatest number of individuals.

A broader issue in the debate is whether government can or should pay for the vast majority of long-term care. What happens to the quality of care when public resources are stretched beyond limits? A comprehensive approach must include incentives to encourage families to prepare for the financial risk of long-term care.

I commend the Mississippi legislature for making a concerted effort to authorize nursing home beds based on something other than political considerations, but HB 1191 is not the solution. I hope we can agree to a more comprehensive approach in 1999.

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SIGMUND LESNIEWSKI

Sigmund Joseph Lesniowski, 75, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Dec. 17, 1998, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Lesniowski, a native of Buffalo, N.Y., and a former resident of Florida, had resided in Pass Christian for 1½ years. He was a mechanical engineer, retired from Union Carbide, and a former member of the Sun Coast Jazz Society. Mr. Lesniowski served as a navigator in the U.S. Army Air Corps in WW II, during which time his plane was shot down over the Pacific.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Lesniowski; his parents, Matthew and Marya Stojowska Lesniowski; and a brother, Stanley Lesniowski.

Survivors include three sons, Mark Lesniowski of Pass Christian; Patrick Lesniowski of Chicago, Ill.; and Brian Lesniowski of Buffalo, N.Y.; a daughter, Marlene Saccoccia of Pass Christian; a brother, Casey Lesniowski of Buffalo; a sister, Cecilia Chowaniec of Buffalo; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was Sunday at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. Services were conducted Monday at St. Patrick Episcopal Church in Long Beach. Burial was in Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Clearwater, Fla.

The family prefers memorials to Coast Episcopal School, 912 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

MAMIE MALLEY

Mamie Malley, 93, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1998, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Malley was a native of Hog Island, Fla., and was a longtime resident of the Standard community. She was a homemaker and a Catholic.

Survivors include three sons, Steven Don Malley of Mt. Olive, Joseph Allen Malley of Waveland and Arthur Eugene Malley of Gulfport; a daughter, Anna Lawson of Center, Texas; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport. A graveside service was conducted Wednesday at Biloxi National Cemetery.

HARRY J. MERWIN

Harry Joseph Merwin, 69, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, Dec. 19, 1998, in Gulfport.

Mr. Merwin was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Pass Christian since 1962. He was owner and operator of the Old Community Shops in Pass Christian, the former owner of a grocery store in New Orleans, the Old Community Grocery Store and Stop and Stuff, both in Pass Christian. He was a salesman for several chemical and hobby stores and owner and operator of the Old Community Antique Mall in Pass Christian. He was past president of the Pass Christian High Band Auxiliary, a member of the board of Pass Christian Park Commission, was appointed board member of the Pass Christian Merchants Association, was past treasurer of Pass Christian Rotary Club, member of the Yacht Club, and past Grand Duke of the St. Paul Carnival Association. He was an Army veteran of Korea.

Survivors include his wife, Lorraine Gail Merwin; two stepsons, John Stewart and Robert C. Stewart, all of Pass Christian; three stepdaughters, Amy Sheffield and Lorraine Rojas, both of Gulfport, and Julie Clark of Biloxi; three brothers, Donald Merwin of Chalmette, La., Harold Bequoy of Atlanta, and Allen Merwin of Meroux, La.; two sisters, Joann Flous of Meroux and Judy Fireck of Abita Springs, La.; and several grandchildren.

Services were conducted Tuesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. Burial was in New DeLisle Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to the Harrison County Humane Society or del'Epee Deaf Center in Gulfport.

JEREMY O. PIERCE

Jeremy O. Pierce, 21, of Gulfport, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1998, in Gulfport.

Mr. Pierce, a native of Gulfport and a lifelong Gulf Coast resident, was employed with the Gulf Coast Mental Health Center. He was a graduate of Gulfport High School, attended Jeff Davis Junior College and was a member of Grace Memorial Baptist Church in Gulfport.

Mr. Pierce was preceded in death by his grandparents, Imogene Pierce, Elaine Merritt

Winter and H. S. Merritt.

Survivors include his parents, Angie and Don Everett of Pass Christian and Mike Pierce of Long Beach; a brother, Chris Pierce of Pass Christian; and his grandfather, Olen W. Pierce of Long Beach.

Visitation was Wednesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home, 25th Avenue in Gulfport. Funeral services will be conducted 1 p.m. today in the funeral home chapel, followed by burial in Evergreen Gardens in Gulfport.

Former GRCL director Gordon Gunter dies

Former Gulf Coast Research Laboratory Director Gordon Gunter, PhD, died Saturday, Dec. 19 in Ocean Springs. Gunter's career as a marine biologist and leader in marine research and education spanned more than 60 years.

He was director of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory from 1955 to 1971. He continued his association with the laboratory as professor of zoology and director emeritus until his retirement from active service with the State of Mississippi in 1979 at the age of 70.

"He was one of the pioneers," retired GRCL Director Thomas D. McIlwain, said. McIlwain, now a National Marine Fisheries Service administrator, was a leader in nominating Gunter's name for renaming a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration research vessel in recognition of the marine scientist's fisheries work in the Gulf of Mexico.

The NOAA ship Relentless was moved to the Gulf of Mexico and commissioned as the Gordon Gunter Aug. 28.

A native of Goldonna in Natchitoches Parish, La., Gunter earned his BA from Louisiana State Normal College and his MA and PhD from the University of Texas.

Before coming to the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, he had served as acting director of the University of Texas Institute of Marine Science at Port Aransas from 1949 to 1954 and director from 1954 to 1955.

Earlier he served as an instructor in physiology, 1938-39, and a research associated, 1945-46, at the University of Texas in Austin, and a research scientist, 1947-48 at the Institute.

He had also worked with the United States Bureau of Fisheries in shrimp and oyster investigations in Louisiana and Florida, 1931-36; in the commercial oyster industry in Texas, 1936-37; and intermittently as a marine biologist with the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, 1939-1960.

In short appointments and positions as visiting scientist, Dr. Gunter served as zoologist for the Louisiana Department of Conservation, junior aquatic biologist for the Corps of Engineers in California, visiting professor of zoology, Marine Laboratory, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla., and senior marine biologist, Scipps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, La Jolla.

Arriving at the GRCL as it began its eighth year, Gunter

moved the marine laboratory from a predominantly summer biological field program to a year-round research facility, and much of the early marine research of the northern Gulf of Mexico occurred under his leadership.

Gunter began his tenure with a staff of one scientist and two part-time support personnel. By the time of his retirement, GRCL programs were conducted by approximately 100 senior scientists, technical staff and support personnel. Construction of major laboratory buildings in use today also occurred during that time.

In 1961 he established and served as the first editor of the laboratory's journal focusing on the marine science of the Gulf of Mexico and adjacent waters. *Gulf Research Reports* continued publication today.

He published 200 scientific papers and notes and 53 popular articles, reviews and other publications on biological and conservation subjects. His scientific articles are cited in 79 scientific books printed in English, German, Spanish, French and Japanese.

He also contributed to his profession through numerous appointments to regional, national and international committees and advisory panels, editorial responsibilities with scientific publications and professional scientific societies.

He was a 50-year member of the American Fisheries Society, a charter member of president of the World Mariculture Society and a member and president of the Mississippi Academy of Sciences.

He is survived by his wife, Frances Gunter of Ocean Springs, his daughter, Charlotte Wood Evans of Galveston, Texas; sons Miles Gordon Gunter and Patrick Gunter of Austin, Texas, Edmund Osborn Gunter of Ocean Springs and Harry Allen Gunter of Purvis; 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Dec. 21 at the Ocean Springs First Baptist Church.

Burial was Wednesday at Goldonna Cemetery, Goldonna, La. Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Trees given for joining foundation

Ten free flowering trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during January.

The trees are part of the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.


The 10 trees are two White Flowering Dogwoods, two Flowering Crabapples, two Golden Raintrees, two Washington Hawthorns, and two American Redbuds.

"These compact trees were selected for planting in large or small spaces," said John Rose, now, the foundation's president. "They will give your home the beauty of lovely pink, white and yellow flowers and also provide winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Feb. 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the foundation's monthly publication and *The Tree Book* with information about tree planting and care.

To receive the frees and a six-month introductory membership, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Shade Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Jan. 31.



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The candidate must also present an affidavit stating that he or she is a qualified elector and a bona fide resident of the school district territory to be represented in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. 37-7-211 (Rev. 1996). Said Special Trustee Election shall be held on March 6, 1999.



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Pier reappearing

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowand estimates that work on reconstructing the Dunbar Avenue pier is nearly 80 percent complete. The pier was destroyed in last February's storm, and supervisors are using federal Wallop Breaux funds and a loan from Seawall funds to rebuild the favorite fishing spot for Cedar Point residents. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

Exercise, moderation key to holiday nutrition

By Jack Mitchell
If you are like most Americans and are concerned about your weight, there is some small part of you dreading the holiday season.

The last thing your waistline needs is an endless supply of Christmas food, from the cakes and pies that your mother bakes to the heavy hors d'oeuvres that dominate holiday parties.

You will be happy to know that, according to nutritionists at the University of Southern Mississippi, you don't have to do without holiday goodies to keep from losing control of your weight.

Just use your head. "People shouldn't deprive themselves," said Christy Chain, an instructor in USM's Department of Family and Consumer Sciences. "If they want to eat holiday treats, they just need to eat smaller amounts."

Chain and Lisa Malone, another Department of Family and Consumer Sciences instructor, contend that Christmas only comes around once a year and to deny yourself the treats that come with it is only going to give you a case of the holiday blues.

There are plenty of ways to keep from overdoing it, they say.

"You should prioritize getting some exercise," said Malone, adding that the average person stands to gain 10 pounds from Thanksgiving to Super Bowl Sunday. "Physical activity is the key to maintaining your weight."

Chain, who has been a visiting instructor at Southern Miss but will join the faculty full time in the spring, said there are plenty of opportunities to exercise built right into the holidays with shopping and visiting friends.

"If you're going shopping at the mall, park on one end and then walk back and forth," she said. "If you are going to visit neighbors, walk to their houses."

Beyond exercise, Malone and Chain agree that moderation is important in staving off those Christmas pounds — moderation in the amount of goodies you eat, as well as moderation in your expectations for the holidays.

"I don't recommend that anyone diet during the holidays," Chain said. "There are so many temptations. Instead, just try to maintain your current weight."

Moderation how much you eat over the holidays can be helped greatly by a little pre-planning, Malone said.

"If you know you have a Christmas party to go to in the evening, eat lighter at lunch," she said. "If you are going to party where you know heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served, you might want to skip supper."

Moderation at the holiday table is also a lesson parents

need to pass on to their children, Malone added.

"You should allow your children to experience these foods, but teach them to listen to their stomachs," she said. "They need to learn when they are full."

Chain said holiday bakers can be proactive in helping family and friends maintain their weight. "They can always modify recipes to include lighter ingredients," she said.

Chain recommends using skim milk instead of whole milk, using two egg whites instead of one egg white and one yolk and using apple sauce instead of cooking oil in cakes.

Library book discussion group to meet

The Sorcerer's Apprentice by Charles Johnson is the selection to be discussed at the library's book discussion group's next meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 30 at 7 p.m. in the Seal Meeting Room of the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

The selection comes from the new volume, *The Evil and the Guilty*, which is an international collection of literature, philosophy and poetry.

Sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, the discussion group began in March, 1990. Since that time, they have completed 110 readings from great books (Plato, Hobbes, Locke, deTocqueville), Mississippi fiction, play readings and 20 philosophical questions. The group meets every other Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The source material for the series is *The Evil and the Guilty*. One selection from this book will be discussed at each meeting.

Reading selections have been chosen to stimulate lively shared inquiry discussions. This collection brings together works from around the world that speak to each other on a theme of universal significance.

A copy of *The Evil and the Guilty* is available in the Reference collection of the library for those who may wish to read selections in the library.

For information, call David Woodburn at the library at 467-5282.

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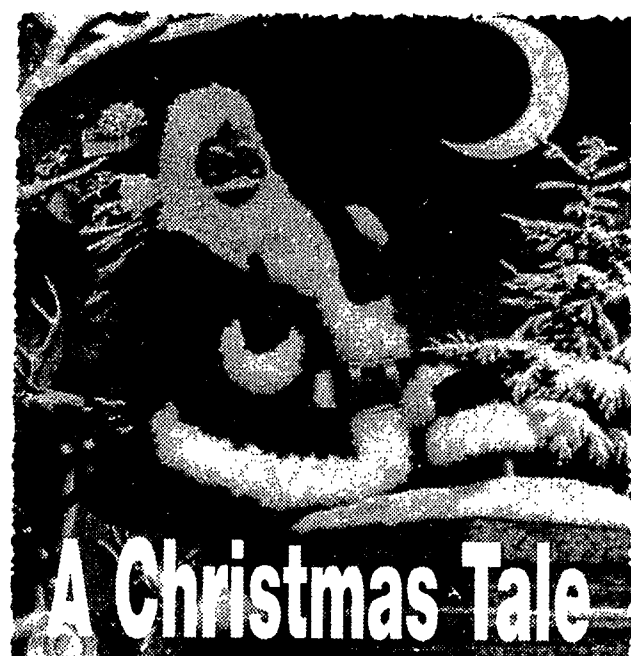
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BUSINESS NEWS

Ozone modeling work to begin on Coast

According to the Mississippi Manufacturers Association, Mississippi may be on the verge of having restrictions placed on industrial expansion in two of the fastest growing areas of the state because of new federal air standards for ozone.

Manufacturers in DeSoto, Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties need to be involved in on-going Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) work to monitor air quality and prepare for the new standard to take effect in 2000.

On June 18, 1997, the Environmental Protection Agency

issued revised National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone which have the potential to drastically affect industrial operations in areas which don't meet the new requirements.

Unlike most emission regulations which address emissions from a specific source (i.e. smoke stack), NAAQS addresses pollutants in the ambient atmosphere.

This means that any number of emission sources from automobiles to industry may contribute to the NAAQS pollutant.

Depending on where ozone

exists, it can protect or harm human health. High in the atmosphere about 15 miles up, ozone acts as a shield to protect the Earth's surface from ultraviolet radiation.

Closer to the Earth, in the air we breathe, ozone pollution may cause damage to lung tissue and plants. The new EPA standard seeks to reduce the amount of ground-level ozone.

The DEQ monitoring stations throughout Mississippi show that currently all areas of the state meet the existing NAAQS standards and are considered "attainment" areas.

If it is determined that an area does not meet the new ozone standard, then the area may be reclassified as a "non-attainment" area.

Changing a county's designation from "attainment" to "non-attainment" has specific economic implications, particularly with regard to economic and community development.

Vehicle emissions contribute substantially to ground-level ozone emissions. Industrial facilities also generate such emissions.

Because the control on emission sources in a non-attainment area is greater than an attainment area, industrial growth may be reduced.

In fact, it is possible that industrial growth in a non-attainment area may be totally stopped.

If it is determined that a new or expanding industry has emissions which contribute to violation of the ozone standard and that industry is located in a non-attainment area, then the industry cannot receive the necessary air permit for operating the facility.

Further, existing industries may be forced to add on additional expensive controls to further reduce the amount of ozone causing emissions.

A potential alternative to classifying an area as full non-attainment is to classify it as transitional non-attainment.

While a classification of non-attainment may stop industrial growth, a transitional non-attainment classification may still allow for some growth.

DEQ, seeking to answer these questions, is proceeding with modeling plans to deter-

mine what will be necessary for attainment, what counties should be considered transitional non-attainment areas and any other options.

Due to the complicated analysis needed to predict ozone levels, DEQ has begun efforts to establish a regional air modeling effort in order to determine which Mississippi counties will not meet the new ozone standard.

DEQ is currently formulating plans with Tennessee and Arkansas to address the sources of ozone pollution in DeSoto County, and is also working with Alabama, Louisiana, and Florida to address the Gulf Coast counties.

The urgency behind these regional efforts is the requirement for a transitional non-attainment designation.

The revised State Implementation Plan (SIP) must be submitted to EPA by May 2000 for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to classify the areas as transitional non-attainment.

Due to the May 2000 deadline, DEQ must complete regional modeling analysis by the fall of 1999.

The air quality modeling may benefit Mississippi industries by demonstrating that no additional local controls are necessary if the surrounding states implement their required control strategies.

DEQ has asked the Legislature for \$300,000 for Fiscal Year 1999 and an additional \$200,000 in FY 2000 to perform the necessary monitoring.

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John C. Portwood, CFA, former senior vice president and chief investment strategist for the First Commerce Corporation trust group, has joined Hancock Bank as senior vice president, trust investments manager and chief investment strategist.

Gerald Dugal will serve Hancock Bank as vice president and director of fixed income and trading. Formerly associated with First Commerce Corporation as director of fixed income and trading, Dugal also managed three fixed income accounts for the Marquis Mutual Funds.

A former portfolio manager for First Commerce Corporation with additional duties involving equity research and trading for the Marquis family of mutual funds, David Lundgren has joined Hancock Bank as vice president and director of equities and research.

"Collectively, these three professionals were responsible for managing \$3.5 billion in discretionary assets," said Clifton J. Saik, director of Hancock Bank's trust and financial services group.

"They will implement the same successful investment strategies at Hancock Bank that produced a four-star Morningstar equity mutual fund rating and garnered an AAA rating from Standard and Poor's for the money market fund they managed," Saik added.

Schloegel stated, "We are pleased to be able to provide Hancock Bank clients with local, professional money management from a nationally recognized investment team."

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David Lundgren

Cellular South promotions

Cellular South in Gulfport announces the promotion of Jana Long Ray to marketing and advertising manager and Linda Hughes as marketing specialist.

Ray, a native of Gulfport, has been with Cellular South since October 1996 and is a graduate of Mississippi College.

Hughes, originally from San Jose, Calif., previously served as public affairs representative for the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in Biloxi. She is a graduate of San Jose State University and Michigan State University.

In addition, Eileen Picture has been named retail operations manager.

Picture has been involved in the wireless communications industry for over 20 years, previously employed by Motorola and Dial Page.

She will focus mainly on Cellular South's operations on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

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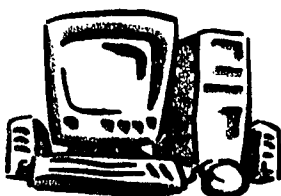
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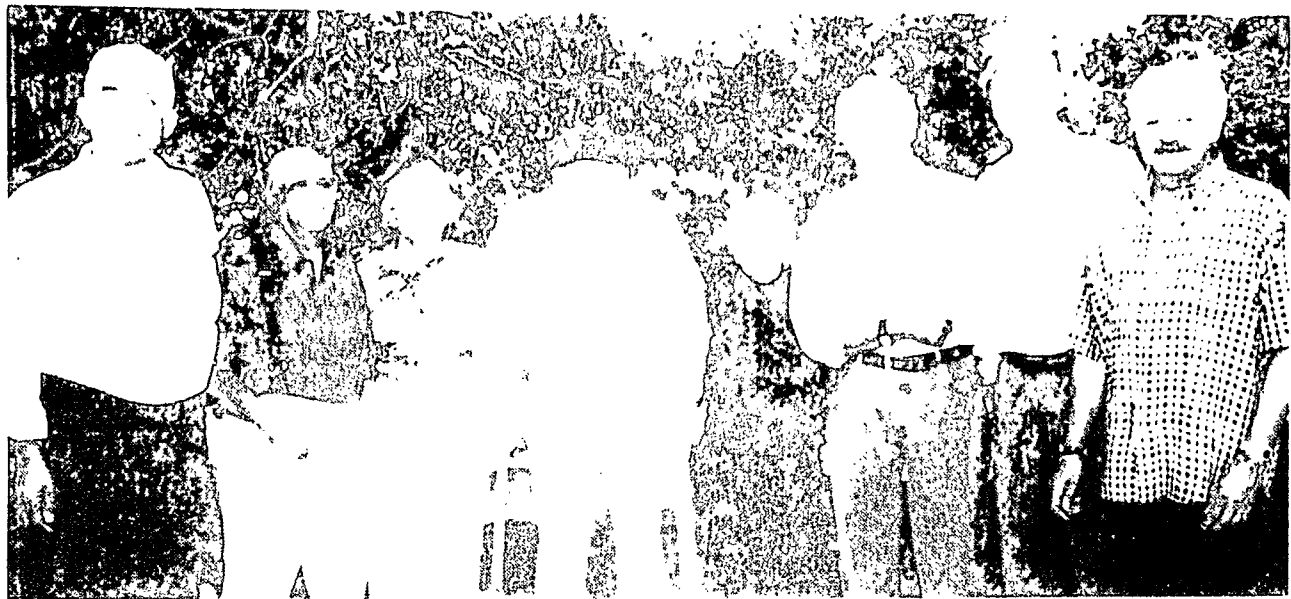
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Celebration of a century

Celebrating the 100 birthday of Ms. Celestine Labat of Bay St. Louis recently were family members from across the county. Pictured are from left, Joseph Labat of New Orleans, Joseph Labat of Bay St. Louis, Ernestine Minchew of San Francisco, Ralph Labat of Bay St. Louis, Celestine Labat, Victor Labat of Compton, La., Labat Yancy of Atlanta and Michael Labat of New Jersey. Ms. Labat, a teacher, has lived her life in Bay St. Louis, graduated from Brown University and was commended by the university president on the occasion of her birthday. (Photo by Jimmy Loucanio)

Codes

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had wrapped up their comments, council member at large James Rutherford made a motion to kill the proposed code.

He got no second to his motion, but others on council expressed their opposition to the document and said there was no need to vote it down, since it's never been adopted.

It probably never will be -- at

least in its present form.

City Building Official Bill Carragee had circulated copies of the regulations to council members several months ago, urging adoption of the document as a tool to give him broader powers to deal with dilapidated and deteriorating properties in town.

As it stands, the city sometimes spends months or years, trying to make property owners repair or demolish rundown structures.

The proposed code would have given Carragee broad powers to inspect structures, order their upgrade, condemn unsafe structures and order demolitions in certain cases.

Beyond that, the code mostly contains regulations already in effect here under the Southern Standard Building Code.

Carragee was at Tuesday's public hearing, but didn't address council. In fact, he prepared to leave the hearing while the debate continued. Mayor Ed Fure didn't attend the meeting, although council was told he would be shortly late to the session.

Aside from Ferguson, council heard from Ronald Arreaga, attorney for Robert Kane and the McDonald family real estate interests. Arreaga said he had no problem with the city beefing up enforcement provision, but he questioned whether the proposed regulations amounted to a rewrite of existing building code standards.

Others questioned whether existing regulations are actually enforced fairly throughout the city

and questioned how citizens would pay to bring their properties up to the code's standards. There also were questions about what codes actually are in effect, and where citizens can take a look at the existing laws.

Although there were no takers to Rutherford's move to kill the proposed code, there was other official objection to it. "I'm not ready to adopt anything tonight," said council President Tad Black. "I'm not either," said council member Connie Lampley.

Council member James Thriffiley said there were some good points in the proposed code that could be considered later. But, he added, "this is not the answer."

In other property maintenance business Tuesday, council approved payment of cleanup costs for properties at 439 Webster Street, \$1,300; and 575 Easterbrook St., \$350.

Both had been declared in a state of public menace, and liens were attached to the properties to pay for the clean up costs. Council also declared the structure at 217 Ballentine St. a public menace, and called for cleanup bids.

Council also agreed to a bid of \$16,274 from East Ford in Jackson for a new automobile, to be used by the Police Department in efforts to curb tobacco usage. It was the lowest of three bids received for the automobile, council was told.

FEMA

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bursed \$80,000 for burning unless further documentation is forthcoming.

Supervisors asked Tompkins to meet with the haulers to see if they could provide some form of documentation.

They also voted to pay Santa Rosa Construction of Picayune \$7,475 for hauling non-burnable items, such as appliances and refrigerators, to a landfill, provided FEMA approves the expense. Tompkins said FEMA had allowed up to

\$7,500 for this pickup.

In a storm related announcement, County Administration Tim Kellar said it was brought to his attention that some of the county's parks and recreation facilities, including McLeod Park, were not covered by the county's umbrella liability policy.

Kellar said he has since moved to include them in the insurance plan, and Tompkins asked Kellar to submit estimates

Rides

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cheer," said Bay St. Louis Police Chief Frank McNeil. "However drinking and driving don't mix."

This is a combination that can end in disaster. Too many times during the holidays the spirit of the season is cut short by a knock at the door telling someone that there has been an accident and they need to go to the hospital. The designated driver is a way to reduce the chances of this happening this holiday season.

The police departments, as well as the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, will have extra officers on the streets, roads and highways during the Christmas and New Year holi-

days. These officers will be responsible for monitoring speed, seatbelt usage and arresting those driving under the influence.

"Historically the holiday season is one of the most dangerous times for the motoring public," McNeil said. "The intent of this increase in traffic enforcement is to ensure that all our residents arrive at their holiday destinations safe and sound."

McNeil said, although it is not our intent to give tickets or citations as Christmas presents, we feel that the point of driving during the holidays safely, soberly and legally needs to be emphasized.

P&H

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coming January session to increase from \$40 per meeting to \$75 per meeting the per diem rate paid Commissioners who serve on the P&H board.

The per diem resolution came to the legislature in the waning days of the last session, but state Rep. J.P. Compretta said it came after the deadline had passed for pre-filing bills for consideration.

Compretta said he has now drafted that bill, and P&H attorney Robert Genin and county attorney Gerald Gex are working on the wording of the legislation needed to make the Commission truly independent.

Compretta said he was prepared to push for approval of both bills in the coming session, but supervisors have temporarily tabled the resolutions.

In asking for the board's blessing, P&H Executive Director Hal Walters said, "You recall, we had this discussion about a month or six weeks ago, but District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour moved to take the resolutions 'under advisement.'"

And, District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward wanted to know if a future tax levy was involved for port expansion and if that would still have to be approved by supervisors.

She was assured any tax levy would need the stamp of approval by the county's governing board, but other measures, such as salary hikes for employees of the P&H would not require approval by supervisors.

"We asked for your comments about two weeks ago, and we haven't received any," said Walters, clearly annoyed by the delay.

Supervisors said they planned to take the matter up again at their Jan. 4 meeting.

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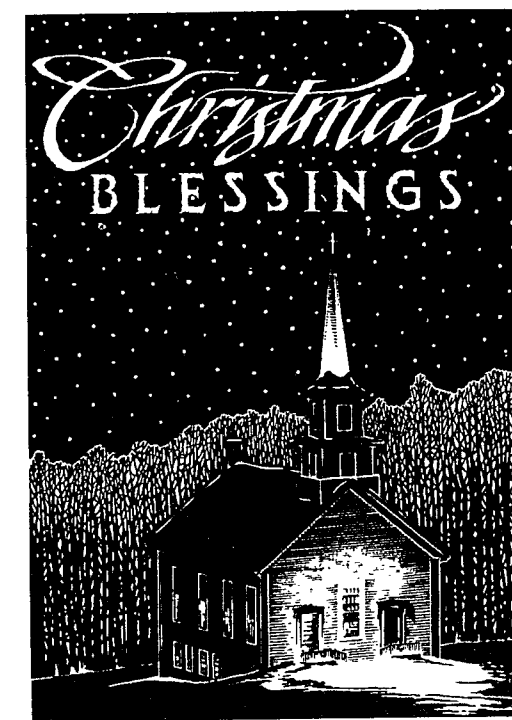
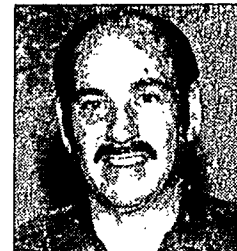
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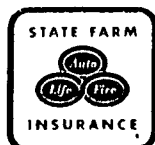
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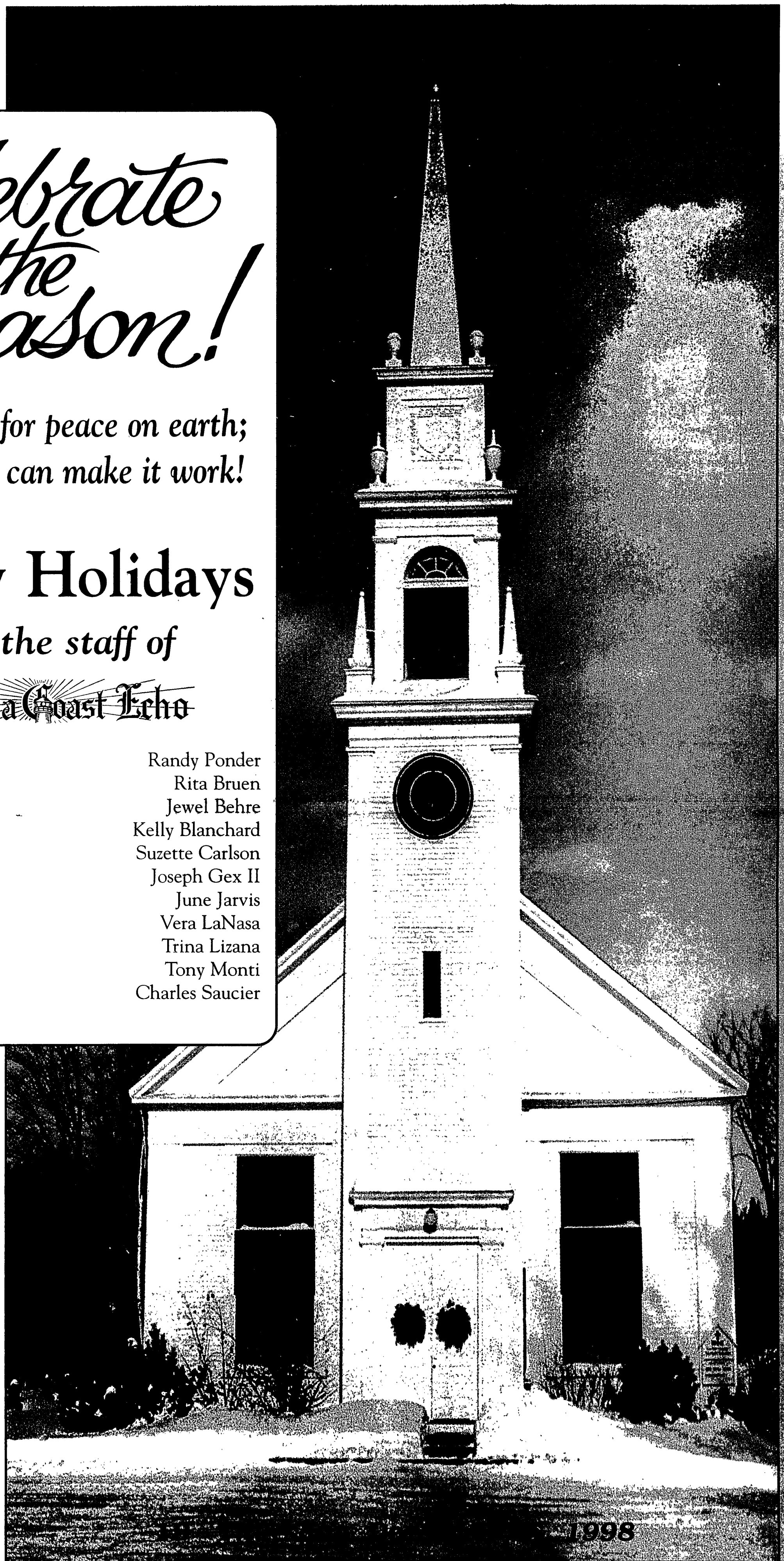
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The Bob Harmon Football Forecast

NFL Forecast

Saturday, Sunday and Monday,
Dec. 26-28

Minnesota, 30—**Tennessee, 14

Saturday: The Oilers don't have the defense — especially against the pass — to stay with the Vikings, who are nothing less than an offensive juggernaut. Minnesota beat Tennessee last, three years ago.

**Oakland, 23—Kansas City, 13

Sunday: Week One the Chiefs sacked Raiders QB's 10 times as K.C. defeated Oakland for the 16th time in their last 18 meetings, 28-8. Now it's the Raiders who are better on both sides of the ball.

**Arizona, 12—San Diego, 9

Sunday: They've lost to three AFC West teams — Seattle, Oakland and K.C. — but the Cardinals should get by the Chargers though S.D. has won four straight in this series in a likely kickers' battle.

**Atlanta, 26—Miami, 20

Monday: In the picks-we-never-thought-we'd-make category, the Falcons will get their second win over the Dolphins, having lost six since '90. Miami can't beat such a solid team with defense alone.

Buffalo, 20—**New Orleans, 10

Monday: The Saints can slow the Bills' running attack, but that's all they do well on defense, so Buffalo will probably take to the air. The Bills lead the series 3-2; they last met six years ago.

**Dallas, 34—Washington, 12

Monday: With Emmitt Smith and Chris Warren combining for 224 rushing yards, the Cowboys thrashed the Redskins 31-10 in October. Expect more of the same against Washington's porous defensive line.

**Denver, 28—Seattle, 14

Monday: Broncos back Terrell Davis gave the Seahawks fits in their first battle 11 weeks ago, rambling for 208 yards and a TD in a 21-16 Denver win. Seattle continues to struggle; the Broncos do not.

Detroit, 21—**Baltimore, 7

Monday: Perhaps unwisely, we're going with statistical superiority over home-field advantage in this one: On offense and defense as well as on paper, the Lions should dominate the Ravens. Should.

Green Bay, 24—**Chicago, 13

Monday: Two weeks ago the banged-up Packers won their ninth in a row over the Bears, 26-20 — the longest streak by either team in the NFL's oldest rivalry. They'll make it 10 with lots of passing.

**Indianapolis, 22—Carolina, 13

Monday: Colts receivers will shred the hapless Panthers secondary while today's pass defense defuses Carolina's only offensive weapon. The Panthers were 13-10 winners in their first meeting, in '95.

N.Y. Giants, 19—**Philadelphia, 16

Monday: Last month the Giants notched their first shutout since '90, banding the Eagles their third of the season, 20-0. Starting with Philadelphia in '91, these teams have traded two-year sweeps.

**N.Y. Jets, 21—New England, 19

Monday: Week Seven, Vinny Testaverde threw three TD passes as the Jets upset the then-first-place Patriots 24-14. N.E.'s pass defense is the AFC's weakest; N.Y.'s passing game is the AFC's best.

**San Francisco, 35—St. Louis, 15

Monday: Rams QB Tony Banks was dazed and confused by the 49ers two months ago, tossing three interceptions and enduring eight sacks as S.F. rolled 28-10. The Rams haven't beaten the 49ers since '90.

Tampa Bay, 24—**Cincinnati, 17

Monday: The Buccaneers will win if they run, because the Bengals are giving up more yards on the ground than anyone in the AFC. Cincy leads the series 3-2, but T.B. won last, 19-16 three years ago.

**Jacksonville, 27—Pittsburgh, 20

Monday: With DB Dwayne Washington returning two intercepted Mark Brunell passes for long TD's, the Steelers surprised the Jaguars last month, 30-15. A visiting team has yet to win in this series.



Paul Favre (#22), Jason Santiago (#12) and Dawson McCall step up to line for a free shot during HOOPfest '98. (Echo staff photo by Joe W. Gex)

Rocks harass 'Hounds in Hoop Fest 98

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws participated in the 1998 Sportsare Hoop Fest in the Mississippi Coast Coliseum on Monday, December 21st.

The teams featured were Gulfport, Biloxi, Harrison Central, Gautier, Ocean Springs, Picayune, Stone County, and SSC.

The Rocks took on the Ocean Springs Greyhounds in the first matchup of the afternoon. The Rocks pounded the Hounds 73-37.

The Rocks took charge in the opening period and never looked back. SSC led 19-9 at the end of the first period. The Rock charge was led by the Davis brothers. Junior Davis scored nine of his 17 points in the period on three three-pointers while his brother Zeke Davis cannot six of his 17 points.

Grady Willis nailed back-to-back treys to open the second period and increase the Rock lead to 27-9.

Zeke Davis ended the Rock barrage with a three-pointer with :06 left in the first half to make the score 41-24.

The Rocks outscored the Hounds 15-7 in the third period to take a 54-31 lead going into the final stanza.

SSC held Ocean Springs to just six points in the final frame

to make the final score.

The Rocks were led by the Davis brothers with 17 points each. Paul Favre rounded out the double figure scorers for the Rocks with 11 points.

Stephen Peterman led the Rocks with eight rebounds and Willis dished out four assists. Zeke Davis added to his point total six rebounds and five steals.

Marcus Battle led the Greyhounds with 10 points.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner stated, "Tonight, we played well. I don't think Ocean Springs played like they are used to playing. So, the score is not an indication of what Ocean Springs is capable of doing."

"We are starting our district schedule after the holidays and Picayune is the team to beat. The rest of us are battling to play with them. We still have a lot of improving to do. We need to improve our execution on offense and defense and rebound better."

The Rocks travel to New Orleans to play in the annual St. Martin Christmas Classic. The Rocks will play the host team on December 28.

With the win over the Ocean Springs Greyhounds, the Rocks improve to 15-2 overall and have a 2-1 division record.

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SSC hosts 3rd annual 'War on the Shore'

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II

The 3rd annual "War on the Shore" was hosted by the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws on Saturday, December 19 at the Brother Peter Memorial Gymnasium.

Teams featured were Archbishop Hannan, Catholic High of Baton Rouge, Hattiesburg, Biloxi, Pascagoula, Gulfport, Forrest County Agricultural, and SSC.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner commented on the day's games, "I am very pleased with the turnout today. It was a great day for basketball and the fans saw some very competitive games. It was a very successful day."

The first game of the day matched Catholic High of Baton Rouge with Biloxi High School. The game featured LSU signee Ronald Dupree of Biloxi who led a fast-breaking Indian squad against a very disciplined Bear squad from Catholic High.

The Bears won the contest 48-44 but not without a fight from the Indians. Catholic was up at halftime 22-17. However, the Indians roared back in the fourth period to outscore the Bears 17-15 to no avail.

The second game between Hattiesburg and Pascagoula went to overtime. The Tigers of Hattiesburg defeated the Panthers 66-60 in the extra period.

The Tigers took a 31-23 lead at halftime only to see Pascagoula's defense hold them to just five points in the third period. The score at the end of the third was 39-36 in favor of Pascagoula.

The game ended in regulation tied at 54-54. In the overtime period the Tigers outscored Pascagoula 12-6 for the win.

The third game of the day pitted Archbishop Hannan of Chalmette against the Admirals of Gulfport.

Gulfport won the game going away 73-55. The score at halftime was 31-21 in favor of Gulfport.

The final game of the night

pitted SSC against Forrest County Agricultural High School of Hattiesburg. The Rocks downed the Aggies 61-53.

SSC jumped out to an 8-2 lead behind Junior Davis' six points. However, the Rocks were down 15-10 at the end of the first period.

SSC went into intermission nursing a narrow 30-29 lead.

Davis nailed a three-pointer to open the second half for the Rocks and SSC never relinquished their lead.

Junior Davis led all scorers with 24 points and added four steals. Paul Farve chipped in 10 points. Dawson McCall and Grady Willis added six rebounds and six assists, respectively.

Soccer roundup

Rocks down Biloxi, Oak Grove

SSC 6-Biloxi 1

The St. Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaws ambushed the Biloxi Indians 6-1 Tuesday night in high school soccer action.

Jonathan Gagnon scored four times for the Rocks. Ronnie Vanney and Justin Wadsworth rounded out the scoring with one goal each.

Nick Middleton, Vanney and Wadsworth each had an assist as the team won its 11th game of the season.

In junior varsity action, Stephen Kulikowski scored three goals as the Rocks crushed the Indians 7-2. Brennan Brooks, Drew Cranford, Jeffrey Hansell and David Heaps also had goals for St. Stanislaus.

Heaps had three assists while Michael Leonard, Brooks and Hansell had one each.

St. Stanislaus will host Gau-

tier next Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Rock-A-Chaw Stadium.

SSC 6-Oak Grove 3

The Rocks rolled to a 6-3 victory over the Oak Grove Warriors last Friday in high school soccer action.

John Rich and Justin Wadsworth each scored twice as the Rocks improved their record to 10-2-1 overall and 7-1 in district play. Ronnie Vanney and Brandon Lewis also connected for St. Stanislaus.

Nick Middleton had three assists, and teammates Chris Genin, John Rich and Ronnie Vanney had one each.

In the junior varsity contest the Rocks won 3-0. Blake Theriot scored two goals and Brennan Brooks had one.

Junior high Rocks 5, Mercy Cross 1

The St. Stanislaus junior high team defeated the Mercy Cross junior high team 5-1 Saturday.

Drew Cranford had two goals for the Rock-A-Chaws. Michael Kivlan, Josh Lingsch and Kyle Lewis also scored. Matt Johnson had two assists, and Kyle Lewis and Timmy Kulikowski had one each.

Coach Andy Kivlan stated, "We had excellent play on defense by Jake Johnson, Beau Brodtmann and Sean Olsen and Todd Farrar in goal. Patrick Natal and Jeremy Keller contributed from the forward and midfield positions."

The team will travel to Hancock January 4 for a 6 p.m. contest with the junior high Hawks.

USTA Clinic set in January

A United States Tennis Association Verification Clinic will be held Saturday, Jan. 9, at I. G. Levy Tennis Center in Pascagoula, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Wednesday, Jan. 13, at the Gulf Coast Racquet Club, Gulfport, 6-9 p.m.

Players should contact Betty Byars at 228-475-9314 to schedule their time.

Baseball coaches needed

Waveland Little League is looking for coaches for the 1999 baseball season. Applications are now being taken.

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Basketball wrap-up

Pass Christian Pirates level Pearl River

Bay High Girls, 59 Petal, 35

The Lady Tigers move to a 13 and six season record and a five and one record in district play Friday night against Petal. Shenma Ambrose hit for 17 points with five steals and five assists. Janelle Payne hit for 10, gathered in six rebounds and took the ball away from Petal

eight times.

Pass Christian Girls, 54 Pearl River Central, 48

The Lady Pirates came from behind in the second quarter and never lost the lead in their Friday night win over Pearl River Central.

Laurae Kynard scored 21 points. Colstrum Clark scored 14 points including one 3-point

ter. She stole the ball five times and offered up five assists for the night.

Pass Christian Boys, 96 Pearl River Central, 80

Carl Bowser scored 27 points with Jonathan Plummer and Justin Arbuthnot both turning in double figures with 15 and 14 points respectively.

Rashad Bowser and Eran

Landry each contributed eight points to the final score with Jeremy Martin, James Sanith, Brad Cook, Josh Ulrich, Steven Danielson, Kevin Woods, Sam Jennings, Randy Albert and Marvin Hargett, all on the book for points.

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OLA Angel Tree

Our Lady Academy Campus Ministry Council sponsored the Christmas Angel Tree for the Hancock County Welfare Department and the W. M. Ladnier Homes in Long Beach. The Campus Ministry had almost total participation among the OLA students and faculty. A total of 113 gifts were presented to the Welfare Department for foster children, and a total of 113 presents were given to the children and elderly of the Ladnier Homes. Pictured are some of the members of the Campus Ministry Council who spearheaded the project, first row from left, Tonya Phares, sophomore and treasurer, and Alyssa Jung, seventh grade representative; second row, Katie Danna, sophomore representative; Emilie Sciana, freshman representative; and Linda Nguyen, treasurer and secretary; third row, Leslie Bennett and Michelle Cuevas, senior representatives, and top row, Alex Roth, sophomore representative, and Connie Balentine, senior and president.

USM non-credit programs attract thousands, boost coastal economy

More than 34,000 people took advantage of non-credit, continuing education programs at the University of Southern Mississippi during the past year — enhancing their personal and professional development while giving the local economy a boost.

The USM Department of Continuing Education and Distance Learning offered 354 non-credit, professional development programs attended by 34,398 during the year, according to Director Sue Pace.

"Total gross income for the university for these programs was over \$1,330,051," she said. "Using the Hattiesburg Convention Bureau's formula for economic impact, this equates to \$1,293,091 in Hattiesburg-area economic impact."

By serving as liaison between the university and the community at large, Pace said the department extends access to educational programs of the institution, through multiple delivery systems, to individuals at various stages of their lives

and careers for intellectual, professional, social and cultural advancement.

She said the non-credit programs of the department had experienced a significant increase in annual income generated during 1994, and noted that the department-sponsored Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR-USM) had grown from an annual membership of 14 in 1991 to 342 in 1994.

"The cornerstone of the program is peer learning and leadership responsibility," she said of the ILR-USM, an association of active women and men

50 years of age or older who seek to explore stimulating learning experiences while developing new friendships.

"The ILR-USM has been the major stimulus and intellectual energy source behind the City of Hattiesburg's Retiree Development Recruitment initiative," she added.

The Department of Continuing Education and Distance Learning was voted Department of the Month by the National Panhellenic Council, which is comprised of a representative of each sorority on the USM campus.

Youth auditions slated

The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi announces auditions for a youth performing arts troupe.

The organization is seeking singers and dancers for a new, fully-staged musical production that will tour the state to promote tobacco education.

Mississippians between the ages of 10-15 are eligible to apply. Contestants should prepare a dance and/or vocal routine, not to exceed three minutes. Performance music must be on cassette tape and cued.

The selected performers will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to a Mississippi college of their choice.

Auditions will begin at 9 a.m. at the Ridgeland Elementary School auditorium, Ridgeland, Miss. on Saturday, Jan. 30. Call-backs will be posted at the end of the day. Final tryouts will begin Sunday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. Finalists will be notified by Feb. 2.

The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi is a non-profit organization that was established as a result of interest by public and private sector agencies in creating a healthier Mississippi by reducing the initiation of tobacco use by youths.

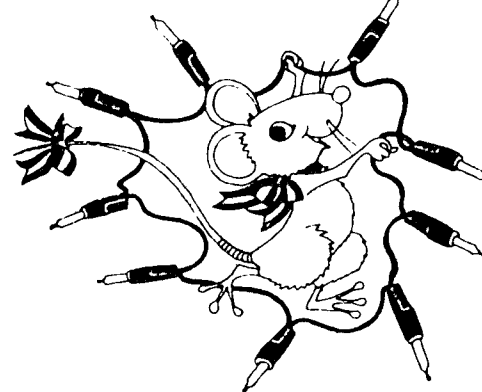
The partnership contains representatives from various state health groups, medical associations, law enforcement agencies, education groups, youth and government organizations and private businesses.

Directions to auditions: take Hwy. 51 North to downtown Ridgeland, turn right on School Street. Take School Street until it dead ends into Ridgeland Elementary School on South Pear Orchard Road.

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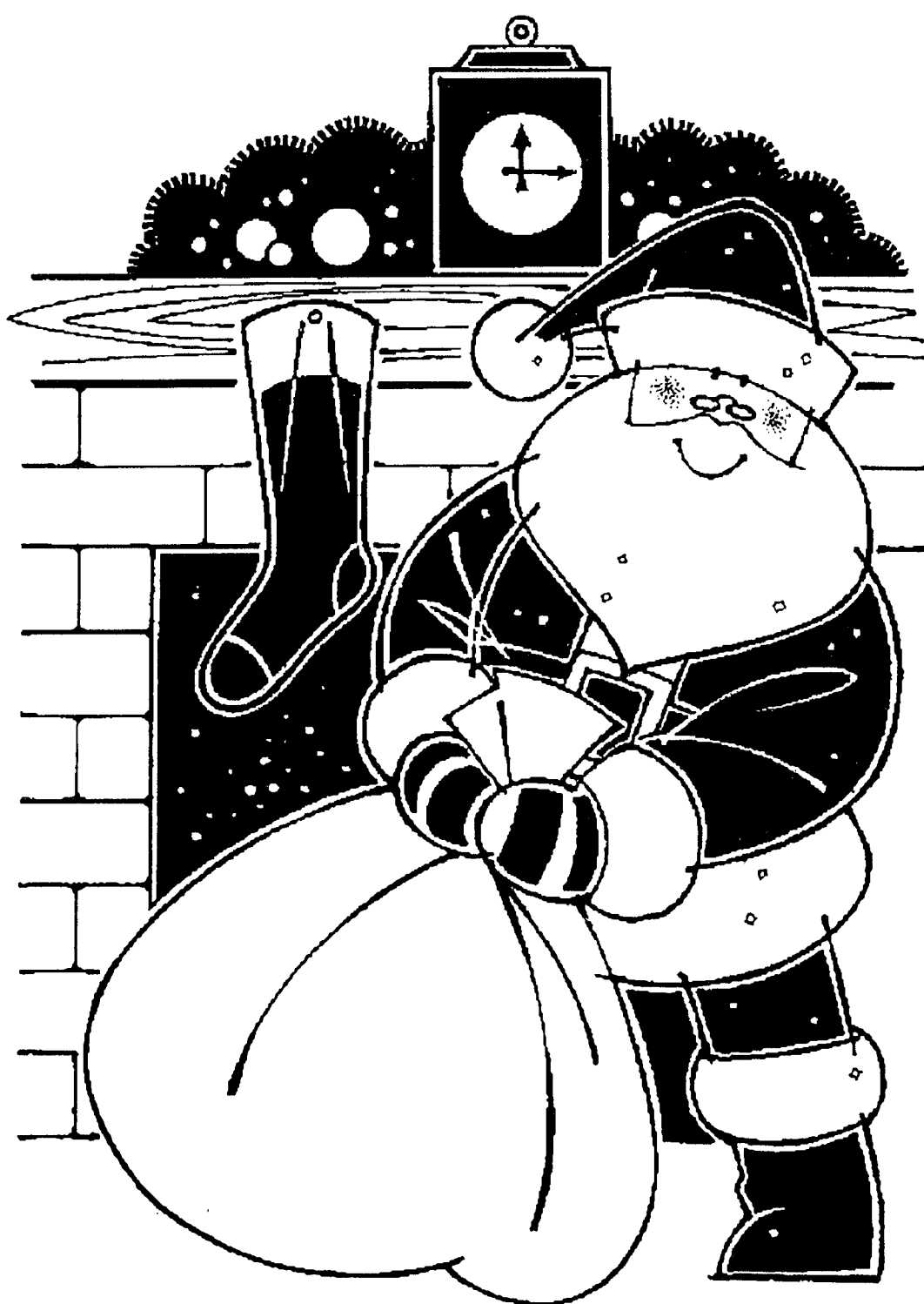
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want... hmmm... oh! A race car!

Ashley Smith: "I would like a Barbie, a Barbie car and a sticker box."

Misty Stiglet: "Um, I'd like a Barbie — a long-hair Barbie, and a little kitty cat — a fake one, 'cause it's my favorite — and um, one of those tapes of Rudolph."

Kyrie Cuevas: "A brush (a purple brush) and a dalmation and a zebra — not a real one. And I wanna say Merry Christmas to Wade."

Brianna Travis: "I want for Christmas a Barbie (a white Barbie with clothes on her), a baby doll with clothes on her, too, and a baby with batteries in it that talks with a ba-ba and a noo-noo."

Kyle James: "I want a four-wheeler, a real one to play with in the mud and cut doughnuts with, and I want a monster truck and a race car."

Xavier Sones: "A 'mote control car, that's all."

Jason LaFrance: "I would really like a motorcycle — a real one, and I want a dog."

Viltress Gibbs: "You know what I want? I want a race car track for Christmas. A different race car track and the men toy, too."

Taylor Roderick: "I'd like a bike and a book bag — like the kind I already have. I need a new one 'cause mine's got a little hole in the bottom."

Billy Beck: "My Mamma said I can get two trucks and a bus."

Wade Taylor: "Um, I know —

a brand new bike. A bike with pedals on it and different colors, my own TV and a motorcycle toy and my own computer, and that's all."

Kacey Marie: "Let's see — a VCR and Lady and the Tramp. My Mama said I can't have another dog because we already have two. One of them is a pitt bull, and he's always barking. A new toy car (a little one). I definitely need a new little ring."

Kayla Bushart: "I want a toy Cinderella — it dances (I used to saw it in Hattiesburg), Ariel the Little Mermaid swims in the water."

Brad Bordes: "I want a Hopper and Flick toy and a football that has AIR in it. Um, a new bat and baseball, and I don't remember what else."

Kristina Wheat: "I'd want a Barbie Jeep, a Barbie C.D. player, that's all."

Jessica White: "A pool table, and some bats that you hit the balls. I'm going to play by Daniel's house."

Thearon Ellis: "I want a fire truck."

Hannah Sylvest: "I want a TV, a telephone (a Barney phone), that's it."

Levi Fleming: "Boxer gloves, a tractor, race cars and fire cars and a black phone, that's all."

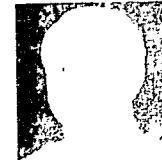
Sierra Sizemore: "I want a bakin' oven, um, a play guitar — a play one — and some blocks to play with. An angel baby doll, a picture of a dolly and one more thing — some Barbies. I love to play with Barbies."

Suzanne Moore: "I want a 'Punzal doll, um, a puppy, a real one. The kind with a little tail and some fur on it. I want some play bricks just like those."

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The Christmas wishes expressed are authored by North Bay seven- and eight-year-olds.

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I want God to bless people. I want to stop lying and I want Santa Claus to bring presents. I want God to bless old people. I want to give children clothes water and food. I want to give old people gifts.
Orlando Lyons

Dear Santa,
For my Christmas wish I want all of the kids that aren't going to have a good Christmas to have one like I will.
Nadia Rose Matoon

Dear Santa,
I would like to have snow, and give things that others that can't afford. To people that are poor, I would give part of my Christmas dinner. I will give them some water, too.
Shannon Murphey

Dear Santa,
I wish to help people in a nursing home. Because my great grandma is in a nursing home.
Joelle Parta

Dear Santa,
I wish to help all the people.
James Jeanfreau

Dear Santa,
I wish that people stop polluting and I hope all the children have food and toys and a good Christmas eve and a lot of food.
James Smith

Dear Santa,
My Christmas wish is to save the earth. The earth would stop fighting, please. And I wish we could save people, too, and to stop killing.
Amber Martin

Dear Santa,
I wish my ant would come bak to us so we can be happy ageen. Win she comes bak I will be happy. Please, please come bak.
Danica Patterson

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa,
I wish I had a Christmas with my aunt Debra. I want her to come back to us.
Danielle Leitz

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a thingy so I could give it away to the poor people. And I will say By By at the end.
Decedrio Lyons

Dear Santa,
For my Christmas wish I want the less fornen kids to have a very, very good Christmas. I hope they like the stuff we gave you. Marry Marry Christmas. Love your frind Brashawn Brown

I want God to understand me

and not make me lie. I want Santa Cluas to bring me presents, and to make me change my attuide. I want God to bless me. I want to help people get food, water, clothes, a home. Merry Christmas
Shelby Trahan

Dear Santa,
I wolde like to help others. I wolde like to help get homes. I wolde like to help others help let them have a present.
Matthew Anderson

Dear Echo
I would share my presents and I will help people when they are in trouble and I would give presents to people and help my friends.
Cassie Lanfranchi

Dear Santa,
My wish is that everyone will have presents and I wish I can see homeless people have a home.
Joseph Clark

Dear Santa,
I wish my dad and my mom would never fite and my dog would of never died too. I wish my Grandma Shoty would come and visit me. I wish I could help poor people and help animals.
Ian Keenam

Gulfview Elementary's Amy Goscinski and Judy Klein's kindergarteners' Christmas wishes as told to Mrs. Amy:

Jessica Garcia: "Um, a dog with spots on it — a 101 dalmation."

Dale Tamborella: "Hmmm... I want a monster truck and I

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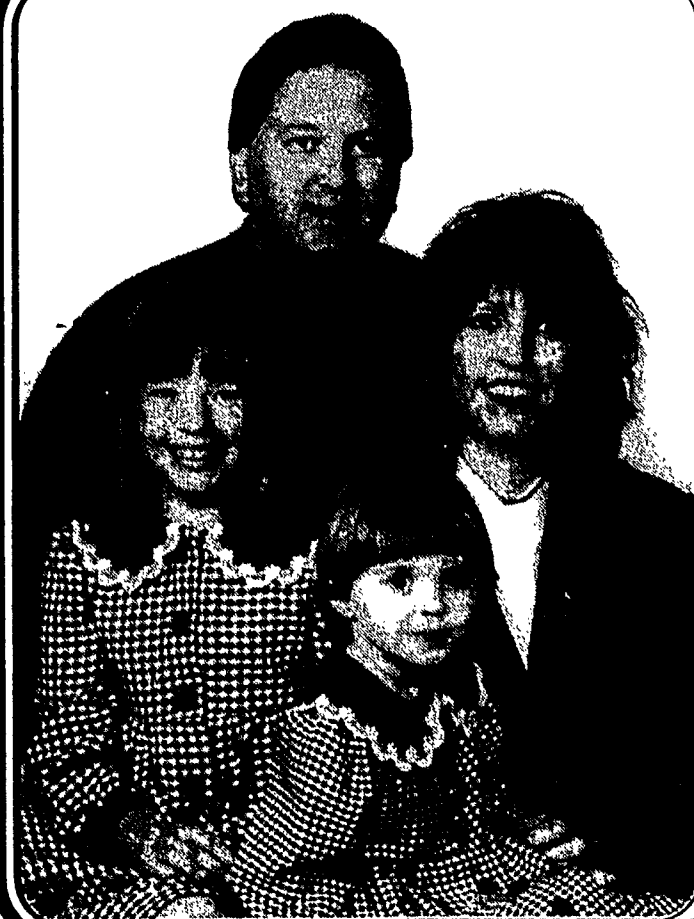
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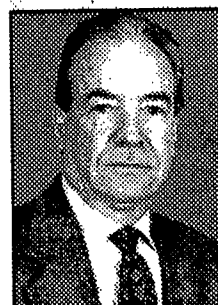
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Students help food pantry

Waveland Elementary PTO sponsored a schoolwide food drive for the Hancock County Food Pantry.

Each class participated in the giving and sharing of the Christmas spirit, said Kerry Kerzovich, PTO coordinator.

Waveland Elementary students were excited as they saw the hundreds of over 1,600 canned goods.

On Saturday, George Sauzer, whose wife is president of the Hancock County Food Pantry, picked up the collection of boxes of canned food which will help fill some of the holes on the shelves of the pantry.

The Hancock County Food Pantry is operated by an all-volunteer group of local church members to serve those who are less fortunate.

During the recent storm, the food pantry served a record number of families.

First grade teacher Barbara Hancock's students made Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer t-shirts at school on Friday.

Earlier in the week, the students brought white t-shirts or used sweat-shirts to be painted during the class Christmas party.

Rudolph's face is a sponge print. The outlines are made from hand prints. Then, they made plastic eyeballs and a red class nose.

Dr. Donna Jones, principal, said, "All the students from families who need an extra hand are what makes Waveland Elementary such a great school. Merry Christmas from us all."



Food Pantry donation

George Sauzer, top right, accepts from Principal Dr. Donna Jones over 1600 cans of food donated by the students of Waveland Elementary School for the Hancock County Food Pantry last Saturday. The PTO had sponsored a schoolwide drive for the food pantry. First grade students with special t-shirts are, front row from left, Joshua Beauvais, Kyle Johnston, David Zeringue, Ashley Hovey and Wayne Foster; back row from left, Mrs. Barbara Hancock, teacher; Craig Perry, Devin Bilbo, Alexandra Valle, Emily Boggan, Jerrod Wilson, Kiley Hovey and Delfred Farve. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Student Ministry program — a positive influence at Stanislaus

The St. Stanislaus Student Ministry program is a year-long experience designed to build Christian leadership skills, enhancing a student's personal and spiritual awareness through training, development and service to others.

The eighth grade class and the senior student ministers work together on a bi-monthly basis during religion classes. They began the meetings with a

fun-and-games activity and enjoyed some time discussing the topic of "friendship." The boys discuss various topics related to teenage life.

"We are preparing for the seventh and eighth grade class retreats which will happen at

the beginning of the next semester. The student ministers will facilitate and moderate both retreats," said Adrienne Quinlan, campus minister and coordinator of the Student Ministry program. "The boys do a lot behind the scenes and are great to have around."

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Harrison County Gem-Mineral Society
The Harrison County Gem-Mineral Society will meet the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Herbert Wilson Recreation Center on Hancock Avenue in Gulfport.
A workshop will be held the following Saturday starting at 9 a.m. Call 863-7770 or 863-6312.

Biloxi Mayor's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities
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Dear Santa,
I really wish for a baby doll with a diaper bag.
Kandice Pulliam

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a dog, doll, green gun, teddy bear, pajama, x-mas movie for x-mas.
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Raven McKenna: Trampoline and a baby doll.

Raygan Necaise: Computer.

Jenna Gambino: A baby that eats food, a bear with the light-nose and a reindeer.

Jacob Fucich: Gun that shoots yellow balls, roller skates and everything.

Rocky Gaudin: A baby with different color hair and anything that Santa wants to bring

Shelby Wittorf: A Spice Girl Barbie and roller skates.

Cade Jarrell: A TV, VCR and roller skates.

Lauren Favre: A Bobble Baby and Bananas in Pajamas.

Karigen Hoda: A Bobble Baby.

Jay Gaudin: A jeep, Batman and Hot Wheels.

Chandler Carpenter: A new baby doll.

Rayven Cuevas: A Barbie.

Jordan Loftin: "I want toys. Um, a 'mote control car, a baby doll — I want a marker baby doll, the kind you write on"

Mrs. Pam Allen's kindergarten, Gulfview Elementary.

I wish Santa would bring me a magna sewing baby.
Cassie Smith

I wish I had a bike.
Kala Anderson

I wish really, really wish for a guitar.
Jonathan Warren

I wish I could see and talk to Santa Claus.
Daphne Mendoza

I wish Santa would bring me a Barbie bike.
Amanda Fouasnon

Dear Santa,
I really wish for a My Size Dancing Barbie.
Monica Loisel

Santa,
I would wish for a bright shining star.
Adam Seebold

I wish I had a bike.
Brandi Crabtree

I wish so bad for a puppy.
Clarice Marcantel

I wish Santa would bring me a motorcycle.
Andrew Olivo

I wish I could have a 1998 Ford Monster Truck.
Joshua Guidry

Dear Santa,
I wish you could bring me a bike. I really need it.
Billy Evans

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a Barbie House.
Brooke Loftin

Hey Santa,
I wish for a cop car that charges and is remote control.
Shawn McSweeney

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a big red truck, a Ford, so I could drive my Uncle Wayne around.
Ashley Cuevas

I wish I had a Teddy Bear, a

really soft, fluffy one.
Ashley Lindsey

I want a real race car. I'd zoom everywhere.
Brandon Delle

Dear Santa,
I wish you could make me a "Princess," because I think I would be cute.
Christen Brown

Santa,
I wish for a cat, because my other cat died.
Miranda Garrett

Santa,
I wish you would bring me a four-wheeler.
Dillon Veillon

Santa,
I wish that the Ninja Rangers were real.
Cody Smith

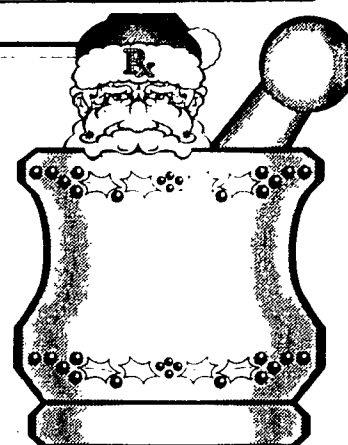
Santa,
I want a real motorcycle to ride around on.
Nick Tomak

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Dunbar Village residents write to Santa

The following is a letter residents of Dunbar Village Terrace (nursing home) wrote to Santa during one of their activities:

Dear Santa,
We've been real, real, real good this year. So, would you please bring us something special?

Pete wants a new hat.
Mimsie wants an electric wheelchair.

Mr. Gill wants a trip to Alabama to visit family.

Joanne wants her own airplane with a good-looking pilot.

Residents of Dunbar Village Courtyard (assisted living facility) wrote:

Dear Santa,

We've been good. Well, some of us have been good and some of us not so good this year. But, we promise to do better next year. So, please bring us lots of stuff.

Hortense wants everybody to be happy and a trip to Hawaii.
Ray wants peace on earth and a new car.

Minnie wants a hole lot.
Ms. Elizabeth wants to be able to find all of her stuff.

Rose wants to have all of her children together.

Joe wants to have his eyesight back.

Virginia wants a turkey sandwich.

Coco wants health and wealth.

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Now is the time to act for high school seniors and college students who need scholarship money for college next fall. Many scholarships that will help families pay for tuition, room and board, text books, lab fees and a myriad of other related expenses will be awarded over the next several months.

Although this is the season that students focus on applying to colleges, it is vitally important for families to have applications in soon for scholarship sources so that they can receive money when the scholarships are awarded.

Unfortunately many families delay seeking help in searching for scholarships that can help them and they miss out on money which they are qualified to receive.

Many are forced into relying on burdensome debt to finance their education.

According to the U.S. Department of Education and Financial Aid experts, "many students miss out on valuable scholarship opportunities simply because they are not aware of all the various scholarships that can help them. Here are some sources that students can follow up on right now:

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation:

150 awards of \$4,000-\$10,000. Based on leadership, academics, motivation and extracurricular activities. Coca-Cola Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 442, Atlanta, GA 30301-0442.

William E. Schmidt Foundation:

Awards from \$5,000-\$10,000. Deadline March 31. Student's age 16-20. Request to 4445 Commerce Street, Evansville, IL 47710.

McNeil Consumer Products Company-Tylenol Scholarship:

510 awards of \$1,000-\$10,000. For elected class officers. Write P.O. Box 8499, Clinton, IA 52736-8499.

The John Cayles Education Fund:

Available to full-time post-secondary students with U.S. or Canadian citizenship. Awards up to \$3,000. Send SASE to The John Cayles Education Fund, Attn: James Cougle, Administrator, P.O. Box 4808, 712 Riverside Drive, Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada E3B 5G4.

Educational Communication:

MILITARY MENTIONS

PFC LEE
Marine Pfc. John K. Lee, a 1997 graduate of Hancock High School of Kiln, recently graduated from Air Traffic Controller School.

He joined the Marine Corps in November 1997.

SEAMAN LEWIS

Navy Seaman Keith E. Lewis, son of Everett and Deloris Lewis of Pass Christian, recently completed a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf with Strike Fighter Squadron 25, embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln.

The 1997 graduate of Pass Christian High School joined the Navy in July 1997.

PFC STEWART

Marine Pfc. LaShena M. Stewart, a 1998 graduate of Jackson Central-Merry High School, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. and was promoted to her present rank.

Stewart joins 41,000 men and women who will enter the Marine Corps this year from all over the country.

PVT DUBUISSON

Army Pvt. Mark T. W. Dubuisson has arrived at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga., to begin One Station Unit Training (OSUT).

The training combines basic military training and advanced individual training (AIT).

Dubuisson is the son of Mark T. and Judy L. Dubuisson of Waveland.

His wife, Lynn, is the daughter of Daniel J. Flynn of Diamondhead.

He is a 1998 graduate of Hancock High School.

tions Scholarship Foundation

200 scholarships of \$1,000 GPA of "B" or higher. U.S. citizen. Send request to ECSF, 721 N. McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012.

Hitachi Foundation

\$5,000. Grades 13-16. Awarded to students who have demonstrated community service. Requests to Hitachi Foundation, Yoshiyama Award, 1509 22nd St. NW, Washington, DC 20037.

Fortunately there are hundreds of thousands of scholarship and grant sources available to students who take the time to locate them.

For additional updated information on other financial aid sources, a *Steps-to-Success Timetable* for receiving scholarship aid and how to receive awards from 400,000 independent sources, send \$3 to cover handling to the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA), 188 Summer Street, Scholarship Dept. S1, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

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Yard Sale

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Students celebrate Thanksgiving

Sheryl DeStarkey's kindergarten class at Charles B. Murphy Elementary School in Pearlinton learned about the importance of Thanksgiving by preparing a traditional feast, making Native American costumes, and dining with family members. Students enjoying the special lunch included, from left, Holly Taylor, Patrick Crowe, James Doyle, Hamp Graves, Julius Harris, Ross Wesovich and Marty Ritter.

Homework Assistance Program

A Homework Assistance Program is being offered to Hancock County students through the Save Our Children Center at 405 Necaise Street in Bay St. Louis, 3:30-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday. For registration information, call the center at 466-0401.

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARLENE MARTIN EGAN
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ARLENE MARTIN EGAN
CAUSE NO. 98-0087

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 15th day of December, 1998, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Arlene Martin Egan, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.

This, the 17th day of December, 1998.
DAN M. EGAN
Executor of the Estate of Arlene Martin Egan
12/24, 12/31/98, 01/7, 01/14/99

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE
WHEREAS, on February 15, 1996, CHRIS C. MENDOZA and wife, DAWN M. MENDOZA, executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to James C. Hardy, Trustee for MORTGAGE GUARANTY CORPORATION, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 448 at Page 110 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK by Assignment dated February 15, 1996, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 448 at Page 110 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK desired to appoint and did appoint Gerald M. Warren as Substituted Trustee by instrument dated July 21, 1997, filed July 25, 1997, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 488 at Page 32 of the aforesaid records; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, which default has continued for a period of time necessary for the holder to declare the entire unpaid balance immediately due and payable, and TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK, the holder of the Deed of Trust as aforesaid, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to do so, I will on the 14th day of January, 1999, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, being between the hours of 11:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m., at the North front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property lying and being situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 24, Block 2, Unit 5, Phase 2, DIAMONDHEAD, being a subdivision as per official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS my signature this 15th day of December, 1998.
GERALD M. WARREN
Substituted Trustee

Gerald M. Warren
Posted December 24, 1998

Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1506
Gulfport, MS 39502
Bar No. 06963
12-24; 12-31-98; 1-7-99

DIAMONDHEAD WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT
CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

ASSETS -- 9/30/98

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash on Deposit, Unrestricted \$893,583.23

Cash on Deposit, Restricted \$111,665.24

Invested-Treasury Bonds \$516,049.59

Accounts Receivable Trade (Net of Doubtful Accounts \$38,800) 163,890.68

Prepaid Insurance \$19,882.00

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS \$1,725,071.74

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Land \$144,953.16

Sewer System and Easements \$5,886,184.98

Water System and Easements \$2,457,876.60

Construction in Progress \$89,697.35

Buildings \$166,295.10

Autos and Trucks \$112,022.90

Operating Furniture and Equipment \$152,114.25

Office Furniture and Equipment \$33,356.30

TOTAL \$9,042,500.64

LESS ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION (\$1,283,348.66)

TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT \$7,759,151.98

Loan Costs-State Revolving Fund

and Mortgages (Net) \$63,298.62

TOTAL ASSETS \$9,547,522.34

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable-Trade \$40,617.04

Accrued Items \$17,949.87

Current Portion of Debt \$611,228.10

TOTAL PAYABLE FROM CURRENT ASSETS \$669,795.01

PAYABLE FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS:

Customer Meter Deposits \$86,831.38

Held for Diamondhead Fire Protection and Solid Waste District \$37,246.03

TOTAL PAYABLES FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS \$124,077.41

ASSETS \$793,872.42

Long Term Portion of Debt \$4,117,793.80

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$4,911,666.22

Fund Balance, Undesignated-Retained Earnings \$4,635,856.12

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance \$9,547,522.34

Revenue \$1,320,732.55

Water Charges \$770,322.38

Misc. Revenue \$61,387.13

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES \$2,122,442.06

EXPENSES \$412,169.12

Salaries and Wages \$246,000.00

Depreciation Expenses \$583,242.83

Other Operating Expenses \$1,241,408.95

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE \$681,033.11

Other Income and (Expense) \$54,057.10

Interest Income (\$214,957.32)

Interest Expense (\$160,900.22)

TOTAL OTHER INCOME & (EXPENSE) \$720,132.89

NET INCOME \$720,132.89

Retained Earnings-Begin Year \$3,912,575.47

Retained Earnings-End Year \$4,632,712.36

The rates have been established in an amount sufficient to produce revenues that will pay for the District's Operations, maintenance, debt service, and to provide a reasonable financial cushion for the best interest of the District.

RESIDENTIAL RATES:

Sewer: \$23.65 4,000 gallons

\$3.25 per 1,000 between 4,000 and 8,000 no additional over 8

Water: \$14.30 4,000 gallons

\$1.25 per 1,000 gallons over 4,000

COMMERCIAL RATES:

Sewer: \$31.50 1,000 gallons

\$5.25 per 1,000 between 1,000 and 5,000 gallons

Water: \$33.70 10,000 gallons

\$2.00 per 1,000 over 10,000 gallons

12-24-98

Seizure Disorder Support Group

Those who suffer from a seizure disorder, and need the support of people who know what that means, may join the Kim Berglund Seizure Disorder Support Group. No pressure, no judgment.

The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in Classroom Trailer 1 at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport. Call 865-3421 for details.

Save Our Children

The Hancock County Task Force of Save Our Children will hold its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. every first Monday of the month at the center, 405 Necaise Street, Bay St. Louis.

For details, call Geraldine Lang at 467-9586.

\$250,000 grant awarded to Louisiana estuary

The Gulf of Mexico Program recently awarded a \$250,000 grant to the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program in Thibodaux, La., to implement four key projects designed to increase overall Gulf shellfish beds available for safe harvest.

According to Kerry St. Pe, director of the BTNEP, the program will use the funds as seed money to facilitate the installation of new pumpout and dump stations at marinas and to improve existing stations.

"Our top priority with this grant is to enhance environmental conditions in and around oyster-growing waters," said St. Pe.

"In addition to improving and installing sewage pumpout stations at the marinas, there are also plans to connect poorly operating individual wastewater treatment systems along Bayou Petit Caillou to a community level treatment system and re-route storm water runoff from Larose to Golden Meadow into suitable wetlands."

St. Pe also said the Gulf of Mexico Program grant money will enable the Estuary Program to revise the shellfish relay system.

"The projects will improve water quality in and around the highly abundant oyster-growing waters of the estuary," he said. "One project, the redirection of storm water pump discharges, should restore local wetlands. The projects have the potential to open previously closed oyster reefs and thereby bolster the local and regional economies that depend on harvesting, processing and distributing oysters for their livelihood. More importantly though, this partnership between the Gulf Program and the Estuary Program is going to reduce public health hazards associated with seafood and waters contaminated with bacteria and viruses."

Several groups from the estuary selected these four primary

projects from the BTNEP's Implementation Assessment list of 61 oyster restoration opportunities. According to James D. Giattina, director of the Gulf of Mexico Program, the projects were selected because of their high probability of increasing oyster beds available for safe harvest.

"One of the Gulf of Mexico Program's missions is to protect human health and the food supply," he said. "Toward that goal, we kicked off a Shellfish Challenge Initiative in February 1994. This grant is just one more step in making the initiative a success and in achieving the Gulf Program's goals."

As the projects come to fruition, St. Pe and Giattina are dedicated to educating the public about the effects of pollution on both the ecology and the economy of the area.

According to Giattina the Gulf of Mexico Program is underwritten by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. It consists of a small core of professionals, and a larger network of partners comprised of local citizens, the business community, agricultural leaders, environmentalists, scientists, engineers and state and federal agencies.

He said the program is an experiment in better government and is a unique, non-regulatory, inclusive consortium working with interests across the Gulf to link environmental protection with sound economic development of the Gulf Coast states.

As the Gulf of Mexico Program looks to the year 2000 and beyond, in addition to protecting human health and the food supply, its diverse membership is also focusing on maintaining and improving Gulf habitats that support living resources and maintaining and enhancing the sustainability of Gulf living resources.

The goal is to achieve significant environmental successes while supporting sound economic development for the

region.

St. Pe said the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program, like the Gulf Program, is a coalition of dedicated people working to preserve and restore the estuary by identifying and correcting problems found in the four-million-acre system.

Barataria-Terrebonne stretches between the Mississippi and Atchafalaya Rivers and from the Gulf Coast to Morganza, La.

"The Barataria-Terrebonne loses more coastal wetlands than any other estuarine region in the world," he said. "It is an important resource for the state, and the projects supported by this grant from the Gulf of Mexico Program are going to go a long way toward stopping some of that loss and ensuring the health of both the estuary and the economy of the region it helps support."

Senior Citizens Center

Located on the corner of Booker and St. Frances streets, the center serves Hancock County citizens 60 plus years of age.

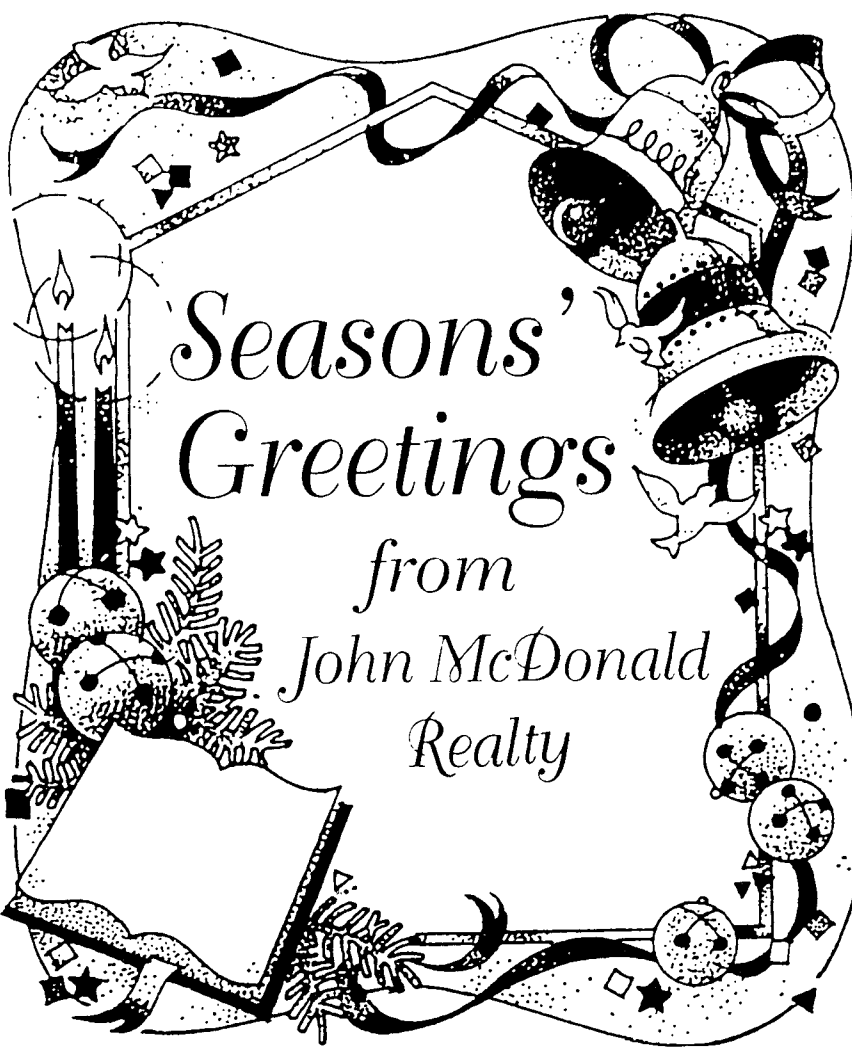
Under the Hancock County Human Resource Agency, the center provides classes in art, ceramics, framing, counted cross stitch, crochet, plastic canvas, shirt decorating, quilting and sewing.

There is also information and referral, counseling, entertainment and recreational field trips and health care services.

The center has a contract to provide frozen home delivered meals to 50 homebound seniors each week and serves 20 hot meals at the center four days a week under a statewide food contract with Valley Foods.

For information, call the center at 467-9292 from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Dec. 31, (New Year's Eve)

Vince Vance & Broadway West perform for free in the main lobby of the casino 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Jan. 16, Jeffrey Osborne at 9 p.m. Tickets: \$15, \$20 and \$25

Jan. 22, Diamond Rio at 9 p.m. Tickets: \$15, \$20 and \$25

Jan. 29, Joan Jett at 9 p.m. Tickets: \$10, \$12 and \$15

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Mardi Gras Bead Giveaway

Beginning Jan. 4, guests who earn 100 points on their Magic Money card within 24 hours or play two hours at \$10 per hand at table games, receive free Mardi Gras beads. Offer subject to change through Mardi Gras day or while supplies last. One per account per day.

Guests can win his and her Mercedes plus \$25,000 on our free pull!

Guests can present their Magic Money Players Card at the Free Pull on the upper level of our casino. All it takes is one pull to win a Mercedes Sports Utility and Sedan plus \$25,000 in cash! (ongoing promotion).

Monday Night Football continues through Jan. 4

Due to the week missed because of the hurricane, football promotion will be extended through Jan. 4 for the Fiesta Bowl (Tennessee vs. Florida State).

Beginning at 4 p.m., choose a square on our football game board. A total of 500 entries are available each week.

Registration ends at kick-off. At the end of each quarter, the last digit of each team's score determines the winner. Quarterly winners received:

First quarter, \$125; second, \$250; third, \$125; and final score, \$500

Win More with Buddy D!

In addition to quarterly winners, guests also have the opportunity to win a \$1,000 bonus. Prior to kickoff of each Monday Night game, radio personality Buddy D, who will be broadcasting live in the lobby, will make a final score prediction.

If the final score matches his



Mars exhibit

Mars samples have arrived at Stennis Space Center. Yes, a true-to-life Martian terrain now exists at the Visitors Center. Twenty-three truckloads of bauxite were delivered to enhance the landscape at the "1 Main Street, Mars" exhibit. This was made possible through the cooperative efforts of the Defense Logistics Agency, Baton Rouge, the Naval Construction Battalion Center (Seabee Center) in Gulfport, and NASA. The Visitors Center is open daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon-4 p.m. on Sunday. For information, call 1-800-237-1821 (select option one) in Mississippi and Louisiana, or (228) 688-2370. (NASA photo)

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9 p.m., Tuesday Night Fights Telecast

Wednesdays
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Thursdays
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"Frasier" Show Telecast, 8 p.m.

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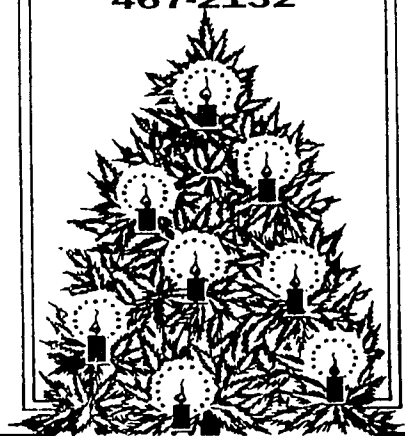
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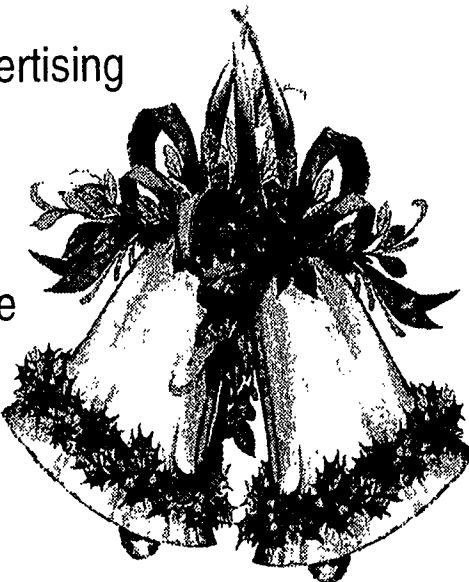
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Dec. 24, 1998



For the Sunday, Jan. 3, 1999 edition



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